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ALUMNI DAY

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PROGRAM

10:30 A. M.

Presenting Coach George M. Bohler.

Report, Progress and Future Plans of Alumni Association, by J. V. Brown, Executive Secretary.

Address by President-elect Bradford Knapp.

Address, President Alumni Association, Judge William H. Samford, Montgomery.

Election of officers.

1:30 P. M.
Alumni Barbecue

2:30 P. M.
Mercer-Auburn Baseball Game

Now is the time for Auburn's alumni to organize and launch a program worthy of the institution.

Auburn's greatest need at present is an organized body of alumni. The first step to this end may be accomplished by a great alumni gathering on May 21, Alumni Day.

AUBURN MEN DO NOT FAIL

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THE AUBURN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OFFICERS

Under a resolution adopted by the Auburn Alumni Association at the last annual meeting at Auburn the following appointments of officers and committees for the ensuing year were announced by Judge William H. Samford, President of the Auburn Alumni Association.

OFFICERS: President, W. H. Samford, Montgomery, Alabama.; Executive Secretary, J. V. Brown, Auburn, Ala.

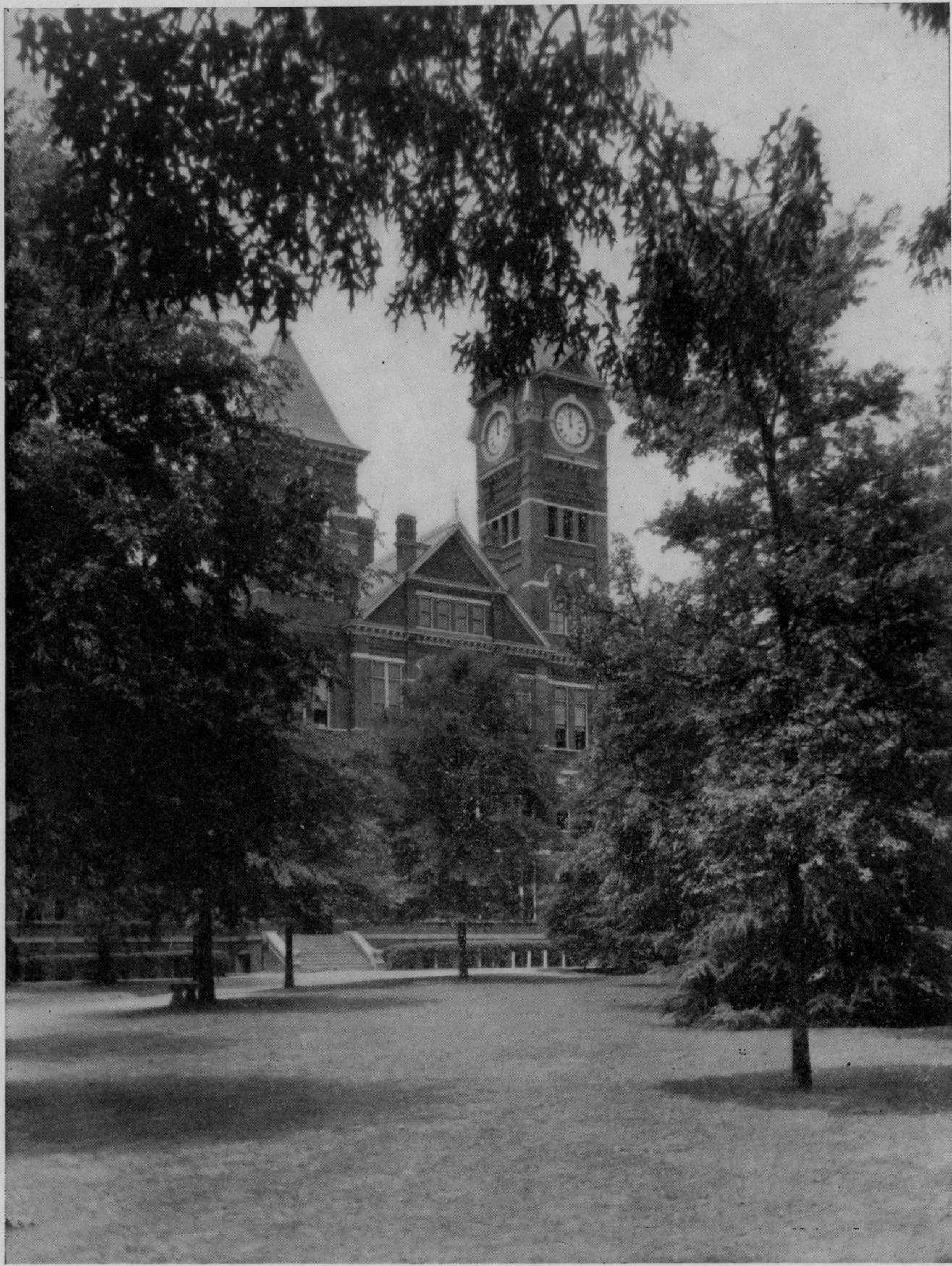
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**THE HISTORIC MAIN BUILDING**

This building, with the college clock tower, is one of the most impressive structures on the campus. Built in 1888, it has seen forty student classes pass through its halls. Older alumni will remember this building as the location of General Lane's office where Auburn students felt the pinch of strict military discipline, the kind the General administered during the Civil War. Offices of the President, the Registrar and other executives are located here.

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President-Elect Bradford Knapp Spends Busy Week in Alabama

In Visit Crowded With Many Addresses, President-elect Bradford Knapp Appeared Before Students, Faculty and Alumni in Montgomery and Birmingham

ALABAMA has seen and measured Auburn's new president. Scarcely a mature Alabamian is now unaware of Dr. Bradford Knapp's election to the presidency of Auburn, and more, a goodly portion of his life and work is familiar to practically all of Auburn's alumni, friends and supporters throughout the South and elsewhere. He has been weighed, measured, turned over and measured again.

During his week in Alabama toward the last of March, Dr. Knapp

stood the acid test of close scrutiny by students, faculty and Auburn alumni. In fact, he seems to have thrived on Alabama opinion, and he will return in a short time to receive more of it. The expressed policy of Auburn's future executive, both verbally and through the press, has been just about as favorable as anyone ever receives.

Dr. Knapp is now back in Stillwater, Oklahoma where he is serving as the president of Oklahoma A. & M., until July 1 when he comes to

Auburn to succeed President Spright Dowell, who at that time takes up his duties at the helm of Mercer University, Macon, Georgia.

About the first of May Dr. Knapp will return to Auburn, he states, to make known more definitely his plans for the coming year and to further study the situation. On leaving Auburn he was burdened with voluminous written reports and information about the college which he took with him back to Oklahoma to study as his duties there will permit.



AUBURN'S PRESENT AND FUTURE PREXY

President-elect Knapp and President Dowell snapped at the "A" Day celebration with group of alumni and faculty members in background. They are Captain B. C. Anderson; Seymour Hall, '09, Birmingham; J. V. Brown, '95; J. E. Pitts, '12; F. R. Yarbrough, ex-'01, Atlanta; Dean George Petrie; Major J. T. Kennedy and Coach G. M. Bohler.

DR. KNAPP is enthusiastic about college athletics and is keenly interested in the development of the athletic system along with the other departments of the institution. His expressed views in this connection will bear repeating.

"Athletics are an important part of the work of a college or university. As president of Auburn, I shall interest myself in athletics.

"There are important reasons why there should be a better athletic field and equipment developed at Auburn. I think that this will mean a modest stadium one of these days.

"Coach Bohler has a plan at Auburn for getting a large percentage of the student body interested in athletics directly. I think it is a good plan and I shall work with him on it."

"Good sportsmanship and fine, clean living are helpful not only to athletes but are a good education besides. However, I do not want to leave the impression that these are the only things I am working on.

"I am for football as strongly as any man could be, but I consider Auburn a place for the training of morals, minds and characters of students and football is incidental."

DR. KNAPP was present at a meeting of the Auburn athletic committee, members of the coaching staff and others interested in Auburn's athletic future, where he expressed himself as being interested in athletic development.

"At Auburn I sat down with coaches, directors and members of the athletic council and discussed athletics. I believe in athletics as an adjunct of education and believe that the training and education to be derived from athletics is worthwhile.

"It takes men of brains and intelligence to be good athletes, and at Oklahoma A. & M. we have the champion wrestling team of the United States. I believe in athletics for the moral training which makes good losers and generous winners who smile when the game is over and shake hands with their opponents. Auburn's coach has a great program outlined and I am for it. I want the cleanest of athletics and I predict that Auburn will put out a team that cannot be defeated. I will always be found on the sidelines.

"Our aim should be to make Auburn an institution that will be a servant of the state, a campus that will reach all of Alabama, not only to train students but to study the problems of the people and to work out a scientific solution. With this objective in mind and good team-

work we will win. Individualism must be sacrificed for the team as a whole. Side issues that detract the mind from the main objective must be avoided. If we never forget the team-work and the thing to be done, we will emerge the victor.

In discussing athletics, he gave his recognition of four cardinal points in athletics training as being:



DOCTOR KNAPP throwing the first ball on "A" Day to officially open the baseball season.

character building, leadership, teamwork and the ability to make and execute decisions intelligently. He emphasized the importance of blending the whole athletic program into the entire scheme of college life.

Dr. Knapp took a prominent part in the annual "A" Day program here March 26. He threw the first ball in the Auburn-Montgomery Lion game which opened the baseball season.

When asked if he expected to at-

tend the games, Dr. Knapp replied, "Well, the Oklahoma boys will tell you that I cannot be kept away."

THE DAILY PRESS of the state has carried considerable comment, all of which is highly favorable. Extracts from editorials appearing recently in Alabama dailies follow:

The Birmingham Age-Herald:

Dr. Bradford Knapp, the new president, is a distinguished figure in American life. Alabama is fortunate in that he is coming here to live. He will soon create a real place for himself in the life of the state. In education, training, experience and native ability, he is splendidly suited to the great task that he has undertaken. Under his administration, it is safe to predict Auburn will achieve new glories for itself and explore new fields of service to the people of the state. With the splendid increase in funds for operation and maintenance, together with the three-quarters of a million dollars available during the next three years for additions to plant and equipment, his opportunity is unusual. With the old financial debts cleared away, with adequate buildings now definitely in sight, with the old slate wiped clean, differences eliminated, quarrels forgotten and enough money on which to operate liberally and efficiently, Auburn is going to make a new and even stronger place in the state's life than it has created in the last half century.

A distinguished resident, a notable alumni body and a sufficient and efficient plant—together these promise rich things for the future. Dr. Knapp cannot iron out all of the kinks in a day or a year, and Alabama will not be impatient for immediate results. Adequate appro-

DOCTOR KNAPP ACCEPTS AUBURN PRESIDENCY BY WIRE

"Thank you for your message. Arrangements entirely satisfactory. Glad the board was unanimous. You have called me to an exceedingly important task. Auburn has done much valuable work. Her alumni have made their mark in the world. The task will be to build on the good things already done and lead to greater service to the state. I am deeply interested in the great engineering profession which relates to the knowledge, skill and development of the power resources of the state. Alabama is in the midst of great agricultural and economic changes. I am deeply interested in serving her farmers in all their problems. If at Auburn we may encourage still greater growth and effort toward these technical subjects and continue to turn out well educated and resourceful citizens it will be worthy our best efforts. I hope we may have the support and co-operation of all the staff of the institution, the alumni and the people of the entire state in this behalf."

(Addressed to Gov. Graves, March 17)

BRADFORD KNAPP.

priations, coming after long years of distressing poverty, cannot automatically solve all financial problems immediately. But the way ahead is clear. The worst is behind. Every day and every year the outlook will be brighter.

No school ever had a more devoted body of alumni. With all factional differences eliminated, the enthusiasm of these alumni will be renewed and quickened. The whole educational system of Alabama will feel the rejuvenating effects of the new situation at Auburn. The institution which, despite all handicaps, has always contributed richly to the state's life, will come to mean newer and better things to Alabama. Auburn's greatest era lies just ahead.

The Birmingham News:

He (Dr. Knapp) is confronted with a task for the performance of which he is specially fitted. He is to guide an old college, of rich traditions and great achievement, which has fallen upon days of misfortune and strife. His gift of diplomacy and his genius for program-making will be tested by the demands of his new office. But, of all men, he should be able to surmount his difficulties, particularly now that the college has no financial disabilities, and is at last sufficiently free of bread-and-butter distractions to move into the larger play of its powers.

For the great work integrating the loyalties, resources and challenges which buttress Auburn's function and

opportunity in this commonwealth, President Knapp has the right aptitude, background and outlook to a most satisfactory extent. That is the basis of the hope imposed in him by the trustees who chose him; that is the foundation of the eager expectation with which Auburn men and supporters regard the future of the college under President Knapp's guidance.

The situation warrants the genuine gratification felt by all Alabamians who realize the potentialities of Auburn. It also warrants a consciousness of the abiding value and the noble zeal of the labors of Spright Dowell, now passing with honor out of the picture in Alabama to a no less significant enterprise in our neighbor state.

The Birmingham Post:

The Post sincerely hopes that Auburn men will back the new president as they backed Mike Donahue when the little Irishman was turning out great football teams and still greater sportsmen at the school.

With Auburn's development, the state's progress is inevitably tied. Auburn graduates will be the men on whose vision the industrial future of the state depends.

The Alabama Journal:

Conditions at Auburn were not satisfactory to the people of the state for a while on account of unpleasant misunderstandings which developed there between the student body and the administrators. These misunder-

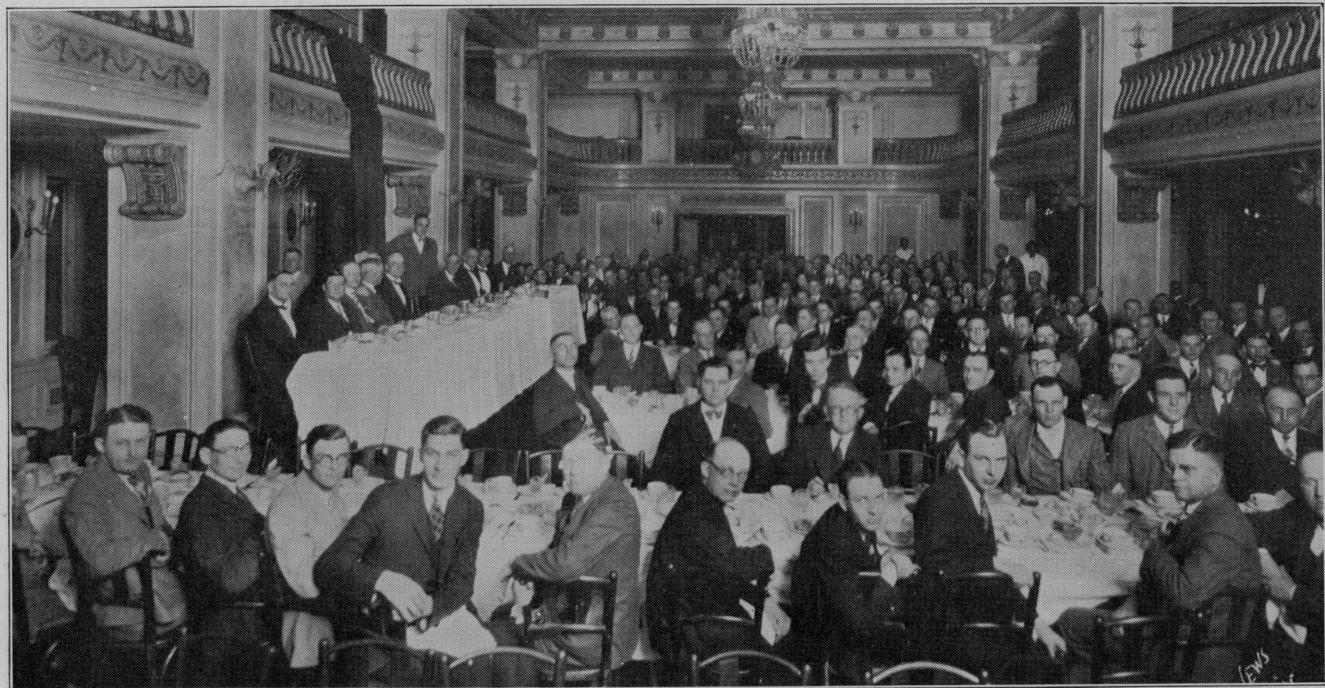
standings were the cause of grave apprehension throughout the state until effective methods were taken to remedy the situation. But these things have disappeared, and will not embarrass the new president of the college.

Dr. Knapp comes to Alabama from the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Oklahoma where he had been very successful; he has had wide experience as an educator; has held responsible positions; is an author of note, and in all respects seems to have the qualifications needed to make him successful as head of the Auburn institution.

The Auburn Plainsman:

"The reception accorded Dr. Knapp upon his first official visit to the village was enough to make the heart of Prexy glad. The day has come when the man and the time have come together in a most opportune manner. Those who have deep interests in the progress and in the continuation of the successful way in which the institution has measured up to the highest and noblest expectations of the commonwealth of Alabama and the South may be assured that the man who is to eventually direct the destinies of Auburn is one who in no mean way measures up to the exacting demands of the responsible position which he is to fill. Probably never before in the history of any college in the south has the opportunity presented itself triumph

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PRESIDENT-ELECT KNAPP ADDRESSES BIRMINGHAM ALUMNI

Approximately 300 Auburn men were the guests of Mr. Walter Henley at a banquet given at the Tutwiler Hotel, March 28th. Doctor Knapp was the speaker of the evening and the entire gathering enjoyed the delightful hospitality of Mr. Henley. Another banquet was held here the following evening for alumni attending the A. E. A.

An Interview With Coach George M. Bohler

Auburn's New Mentor Comes From a Family of Coaches and Manifests Varied Taste in Sports

WHAT does Coach George Bohler think and say about the athletic conditions and outlook at Auburn?", is the question that is foremost in the minds of many of Auburn's supporters and students. Many also might be interested in other facts about the man that now holds the key to the destinies of the athletic future of "Dear Ole Auburn."

March 20 is the time that will probably be long remembered as a turning point at Auburn, for that was the time when Coach first met with the boys wearing cleats and moleskin. That little white cap he wore looked good to the lovers of the gridiron sport.

Anticipating the earnestness with which Coach will and has entered the work before him, an interview was arranged.

During the two hours spent with Coach there were many things called to his attention, all of which he handled in a straightforward and business like manner. In his office was found the reminders of sports. Not only pertaining to athletics but other sports. These things were more in evidence because they had just arrived in the Village. A radio set, base ball uniforms, football uniforms, slickers and heavy waterproof trousers, a fishing rod and reel and a .22 high powered Remington rifle told the inaudible story of the activities, interests, attractions and amusements of such a versatile man.

Not the least in the estimation of their proud owner was this little rifle and fishing rod. Athletics at Auburn were forgotten for a few minutes while listening to the reminiscences of bear hunting and fishing for the mighty steelhead trout and the beautiful rainbow trout of the Pacific Northwest. The beauties and wonders of the Columbia River Highway, along that tumbling mass of water, the rareness of the features of Crater Lake and snow caps of Mount Hood and Mount Rainier, as told by Coach Bohler made one wonder how a country could be so different from what we have here and at the same time be so near.

In going over all the work expected of Captain "Nick" Carter and many of the other members of the football

BY HARRY WISE, '29

squad, not once was the personal pronoun, I, mentioned by Coach. It was always "WE" will do this or expect that and I wondered if this meant Coach and the "Spirit of Auburn" as Lindy speaks of himself and his plane.

Just before the time came to go to a meeting of the Athletic Council, Coach Bohler verified some facts that appeared in the column "Dusting 'em off," by Zipp Newman, in the Birmingham News. This paragraph with a few corrections as to the number of years spent by some of the men in the various places reads as follows:

"Coach George Bohler is on the job at Auburn and the Village of the Plains has taken on an entirely different atmosphere already. There is hope, faith and confidence where once it was turmoil. Auburn's new coach comes from a family of coaches. He has three brothers who are making

the name of Bohler known out on the Coast, and in the middle West. John, the oldest of the four brothers, has been coach and athletic director at Washington State for 19 years. Roy, the youngest, is athletic director at Belloit where he has been for four years. Burt, who is just a year older than Roy, is engaged in physical educational work at the Butler Y. M. C. A. All of the Bohlers believe in intramural athletics. Also it has been said of the Bohlers that they do not offer alibis but sit tight when the going becomes rough."

This last statement by Mr. Newman can be borne out by the fact that they have been in one place for so many years. They evidently give satisfaction.

Coach also said that he and the three brothers with a cousin composed a very competent basket ball team when they were boys together before they began coaching; all were good all-round athletes.

\$110,000 Paving at Auburn

CONSTRUCTION NOW UNDER WAY TOTALS APPROXIMATELY FIVE MILES;
BORDERS COLLEGE PROPERTY

APAVING contract to the amount of \$11,000 was let this month to Hopper-Winston Construction Company of Auburn which provides for the paving of all projects under consideration at Auburn, bringing the amount of paved streets to approximately five miles.

The contract was let by the Auburn City Council and announced by Mayor C. S. Yarbrough. Work will begin at once and it is thought the paving will be completed within four or five months.

This is no doubt the most extensive street paving contract in any town of this size in the state.

The contract covers the following projects: College Street from the home of J. F. Duggar to Toomer's corner. There will be a two way drive with the beautiful oaks left standing in the center on the block in front of the Main Building.

Thatch Avenue from Payne Street

to the Alumni Gymnasium, past the President's home; West Magnolia avenue from DeBardeleben street to East Magnolia avenue out to golf links; Glenn avenue from Burton street to Thomas street (old Lochapoka street); one block continuation on North Gay Street from Opelika street.

Much of this work will border college property, eliminating much of the muddy street area which has for years detracted from the premises. The added appearance will be such that no doubt it will render the place next to unrecognizable to those absent during and up to the time of the development.

Mr. W. O. Winston of the company, Hopper-Winston Construction Company is an Auburn graduate with the class of '11. For a number of years he was with the Auburn Extension Service as county demonstration agent and later as District Agent.

Auburn's School of Architecture Ranks With Country's Best

Following Phenomenal Growth Under Guidance of Dean Biggin the Department Was Made Into a School This Year

ARCHITECTURE, someone has said, is the most useful of the fine arts, for it is concerned not only in sheltering man and administering to his wants, but also in providing him with places for worship. In fact the state of architecture is the index of people.

The profession of architecture is as old as man himself. In fact it antedates man for God was the first great architect, his monument, the universe, a small but important part.

Originating in the great Nile Valley far back in the misty past architecture has a history both unique and interesting. Numerous references in the Holy Scriptures indicate the importance of architecture in the progress of man. For instance, in First Chronicles we are told that King David gave to Solomon, his son, the pattern of the porch of his temple, bidding him to build a house for Jehovah. The great pyramids of Egypt are solemn reminders of the fact that the profession of architecture was not only important, but highly developed long before the days of Christ. Archaeologists, digging here and there, throughout the world have brought to light much evidence of the high state of architecture in early times.

If one contrasts an Egyptian pyramid with a Birmingham skyscraper, which is modeled after towering piles of concrete and steel on Manhattan Island, on the surface there appears to be little in common—a vast difference—and yet the fundamental principles of architecture involved are the same. The elements of beauty-awe-inspiring majesty in the case of the pyramids and the twentieth century skyscrapers place works of engineering in the realm of works of architecture.

THE Department of Architecture at Auburn, the oldest, in the South, was founded in 1907 by Nathaniel Courtland Curtis who is now a practicing architect and a member of the faculty of Tulane University, New Orleans. During the early years the department made little growth due to the lack of funds and poor equipment. The quarters used by the young department consisted of three

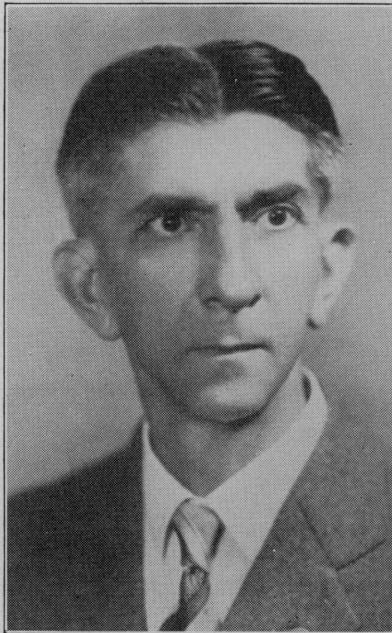
small rooms, and one professor who was required to supervise the work of the several students. Conditions remained the same until 1917 when the course in architecture underwent a complete revolution.

Birmingham architects consist of Auburn graduates.

The department at Auburn, although greatly handicapped through lack of funds for a building, equipment and additional instructors, is generally regarded as one of the best and most efficient departments at Auburn. There are more than 100 students enrolled in the degree course in architecture alone this year. They have completely overrun their cramped quarters and as a result additional drafting room space has been provided this year in the old student mess hall adjoining the carpentry shops.

In 1916 Frederic Child Biggin, B. S. Cornell, M. S. Lehigh, accepted the position as head of the department. The new professor, who came to Auburn from Oklahoma A. & M. College, found very little material on which to build. There were only eleven students and one professor; the equipment was mostly worn out and only one course was offered. The work was poorly arranged for the single course offered had the first year in common with the engineering courses. The architectural work was crowded into three years—a thing that today has been found to be not only impractical but impossible. All of the work was carried on in three small rooms, one of which was used as a library and lecture room.

IN the following year, 1917, radical changes were made in the four year course by substituting practical architectural subjects for the engineering work. A new course in architectural engineering was inaugurated. At the same time the name of the college of engineering was changed to college of engineering and architecture. Additional subjects required for the training of a modern architect, such as water color, clay modeling, life class, history of painting and sculpture and special courses in plumbing, heating and lighting were introduced. Steps were taken through newspaper publicity to make known the fact that there was a department of architecture at Auburn—something that the people of the state were not aware of before to any great extent.



FREDERIC CHILD BIGGIN
Dean of the School of Architecture

During the session 1927-28, the architectural division of the college became a separate department, connections with the engineering school being severed. This new department is known as the School of Architecture and Prof. Frederic Child Biggin was appointed as the Dean of Architecture.

Since the organization of the department in 1907 between two and three hundred young men and young women have received their architectural training in whole or in part. While the majority of them have remained in Alabama the others are registered architects as far north as New York and as far south as Texas and Florida. Two graduates are construction superintendents for the United Fruit company in Columbia and Nicaragua. Almost the entire official force of one prominent firm of

DURING the following year the courses in architecture and architectural engineering were continually changed and improved, bringing them up to the standard requirements of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture and the American Institute of Architects. Additions were made to equipment, classroom and laboratory space, and teaching force strengthened.

As the limited funds of the college could not cover this extension of the work, the department of architecture raised by subscription among the merchants of Auburn, the architects and builders of the state and the students and faculty of the department an equipment fund of \$1000. One half of this sum was donated by the latter group.

With the coming of President Spright Dowell in 1920, the affairs of the department took on new life. With a clear understanding of the needs of the department and a broad sympathy for the earnest work done by both students and teachers, he found funds to further increase the faculty and purchase additional equipment.

The attendance increased by leaps and bounds until at the present time there are over 100 men and women registered in the degree courses of architecture and architectural engineering. The art and construction courses offered by the department are being elected by over three score students from other departments of the college.

In May 1926, the department of architecture, having met as required for the previous four years the high standards of the American Collegiate Schools of Architecture was elected to membership in that organization. This carried with it the recognition of the American Institute of Architects and brings to Auburn the annual medal of the Institute which is conferred on the graduating student who has made the best record in all subjects throughout the entire course. In 1926 James Gordon Elliott of Guthrie, Kentucky, and in 1927, Robert Kelly Posey of Birmingham, Alabama, received this medal. Only two other Southern Colleges have membership in the A. C. S. of A. and recognition by the American Institute of Architects. They are Georgia School of Technology and the University of Texas.

DEAN BIGGIN, head of the department, outlined briefly his policies as follows:

"Both courses in the department of architecture prepare for professional practice as architects, after the necessary office and field experience, and

are open alike to men and women. Freehand and charcoal drawing, pen and ink rendering, water color painting, clay modeling, life class, history of architecture, painting and sculpture, building construction and architectural design are the principle technical subjects covered. All members of the department take these courses, but the student in architecture proper specializes in planning and designing giving more than one quarter of his entire time in college to this work, while the student in architectural engineering specializes in advanced building construction and gives only sufficient time to design to enable him to construct intelligently. Since the average student's bent develops more positively after he has attended college for a period, the earlier years of both architecture and architectural engineering are scheduled alike, to facilitate change from one course to the other.

"Graduates in architecture or architectural engineering however do not always choose to practice as architects since these courses form an excellent foundation for other lines of work, such as interior decoration, landscape design, contracting, manufacture and handling of building materials, etc. Women students in particular find a most satisfying vocation in interior decoration or landscape design.

DR. KNAPP ON CAMPUS MAKING 1928-29 PLANS

President-elect Bradford

Knapp arrived on the campus Tuesday, April 24, from Stillwater, Oklahoma, to spend the remainder of the week in intensive work preparing a budget of finances and laying out a definite college program for next year. Doctor Knapp will make no addresses while in Alabama this time.

On April 29 Doctor Knapp will return to Stillwater to continue his duties as head of the Oklahoma A. & M. until July 1 when he takes over the affairs at Auburn. Doctor Knapp will succeed Dr. Spright Dowell who will assume the presidency of Mercer University, Macon, Ga., July 1. Doctor Knapp will return to Auburn for the Commencement Exercises, May 21 and 22 at which time he will speak before the alumni on Alumni Day, May 21.

"Architecture is chief of the fine arts and its proper practice demands a good general education as well as a wide technical training. Both of these cannot be covered by the average student in a four year college course, and the normal schedules in architecture and architectural engineering call for five years of work. Methods of instruction however are largely personal, and permit an extra industrious and capable student taking advantage of summer sessions of the college, to complete the required work in a shorter time.

IN MAY, 1926, at their annual meeting held in Washington, D. C., the association of college schools of architecture unanimously elected the department of architecture at Auburn to membership. This association is composed of the great architectural schools of the country, such as Columbia, Cornell, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, etc., and is connected with the American Institute of Architects. The election places Auburn in the acknowledged front rank of architectural schools and secures for its graduates certain privileges, among which are the annual medal from the American Institute of Architects, offered in each member school to the student who has made the best record throughout his entire course, the right to apply for membership in the institute without examination and in many states having registration laws for architects the waiving of part of the examination requirements when applying for a certificate to practice.

"Since the world war, which drastically set back the building program of America, the demand for college trained architects and architectural engineers has been greater than the supply. Architect's offices, construction companies, and numerous other branches of industry employing draftsmen and superintendents, are offering generous salaries, but cannot get enough trained men and women for the work. The department of architecture could place each year more graduates than it has available."

Associated with Professor Biggin are the following faculty members: Frank Woodberry Applebee, assistant professor of drawing, water coloring and modeling, graduate of Massachusetts School of Arts; Ben K. Wyatt, Tulane and Michigan and the following instructors who are graduates of Auburn: C. J. Snook, Bachelor of Architecture, Auburn; R. B. Marsh, B. S., Auburn; F. B. Ledbetter, B. S., Auburn.

Sir Wilfred T. Grenfell Addresses Students In Langdon Hall

Famous Labrador Explorer Tells of Thrilling Experiences

SIR WILFRED T. GRENFELL, noted Labrador explorer and medical missionary, spoke to the student body and faculty of Auburn at a call convocation period, Tuesday, April 3. He related the occasion of his taking up his life work in Labrador and recounted a number of experiences during his 36 years in the far North.

Doctor Grenfell is a native Englishman, an extremely interesting character, and a notable worker for the benefit of humanity. He is the most widely known missionary in the world. His work is centered in Labrador, this place being made known to thousands by his activities there.

Christian endeavors and medical attention are administered to Labrador inhabitants by Dr. Grenfell. He is very active in both lines of endeavor, there during the summer; the winter months are spent in lecture tours over North America, in the interest of his Labrador work.

Sir Wilfred Grenfell spent his early years in England, receiving his education there. He chanced upon a medical career when he dropped into the office of the local physician and happened to see a preserved human brain. His imagination was kindled and he immediately decided to become a physician and very soon began his training in this line.

His mission work started in an equally unexpected manner. During his second year of medical school in London he was returning from an out-patient, one night, when he stumbled upon a religious meeting being conducted by Dwight L. Moody, American evangelist. Doctor Grenfell was there converted to the resolution of making his religion a mode of life rather than merely a bundle of beliefs.

During the remainder of his medical training he was an active missionary in the slums section of London. This work went hand in hand with his medical endeavors and immediately after his training was completed, he received a chance for exercising his abilities among the deep-sea fishermen off the east coast of England. He spent five years in this work, healing cuts, setting broken bones, supplying reading matter and tobacco,



SIR WILFRED T. GRENFELL, who spoke in Auburn on his recent trip South to deliver Founder's Day address at Tuskegee.

leading prayers, and befriending the fishermen in every way possible.

In 1891 a co-worker returned from Canada bringing news of conditions in Labrador where there was not a single physician, nurse or druggist. Immediately he began preparations for journeying to this neglected land. In late June of 1892, he set sail in a boat which he had designed suitable for hospital work and for facing cold, rough seas, with a corps of assistants.

DOCTOR Grenfell was warmly received by the natives, and on the day of his arrival he attended to a rush of patients. He has been as busily occupied since attending patients, administering aids and conducting missionary work.

Realization of added conveniences and means of more extended service dawned upon Doctor Grenfell immediately, and he set about procuring advanced aid. His services being the only medical endeavor on the island, it was far from possible for him to meet all the demands. He visualized the need of assistants, nurses, and

hospitals, and set about securing these. In this he has been remarkably successful.

A number of hospitals have been established along with nursing stations, orphanages, schools, a seaman's institute and other centers. Trained physicians and nurses have been added to his staff, which assist in reaching hundreds of patients that he alone could never aid.

DOCTOR Grenfell has had a vast number of harrowing experiences in Labrador. Frequently, he has been called on hazardous trips of many miles, carrying him over miles and miles of heavy snow and ice. In these excursions, to aid some suffering patient, he has bravely faced death—and all but met it. Perhaps the doctor's closest call came when he was summoned on an extremely rough trip of sixty miles, to attend a man who was threatened with blood poisoning. In crossing a bay, a sudden shift of Southern wind broke the ice beneath him, which taxed his ingenuity for a means of escape.

After much shifting through icy waters, he finally landed with his dog team on a small ice cake. He had lost his carriage, supplies and food and extra dry clothing. Night was facing him; and freezing was almost certain. He succeeded in surviving by killing and skinning two of his dogs to obtain fur covering, and then huddled by another for added warmth.

The following morning he was picked up by a rescue party that had sensed his fate, after having drifted a day and night on this iceburg. Other similar occurrences have been encountered by him.

It is next to impossible to think of an endeavor at Labrador to which Dr. Grenfell has not lent his hearty aid. His educational assistance has been marvelous. He has helped in organizing cooperative stores, sawmills, rug weaving, a fox farm, and a number of other enterprises.

Besides being a doctor and missionary, he is a magistrate, coast surveyor, commissioner of wrecks and preacher. He is also a licensed navigator, being master of his hospital ship. In fact, he is very nearly every-

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The Auburn Method of Teaching Freshmen How To Write

Frosh Must Learn Fundamentals of English Composition

THE ALUMNUS who easily becomes a boy again when the band strikes up Touchdown Auburn perhaps in moments of relaxation enjoys, or shudders over, flashes of reminiscence which recall to his mind this or that college course he struggled through now these many years ago. If he could drop in on some of his old classes, perhaps in the same old rooms, he might find the same old instructors, but he would find them going about it in quite a different manner. This is particularly true of Freshman English, a course variously reported anywhere from the best to the "biggest gripe" on the campus.

With all due respect to the secondary schools of Alabama, there is no use in denying that many of the applicants for admission to Auburn are wretchedly prepared for the writing of the simplest kind of English composition. Alabama, I hasten to add, is not alone; most universities contemplate "fouring" an average of 40 per cent of their classes in first year writing. Such is the problem that must be faced on one hand; on the other is Auburn's standard that to complete his first semester's course a freshman must write clear, correct English. Effective writing is emphasized in the second semester. How to honestly accomplish this end is, of course, our major problem.

NOWADAYS, we start the year off this way: first, every freshman is given one of the so-called intelligence tests, which measures, after all, not intelligence but accomplishment—what he has absorbed as a thinking individual. Next he is assigned to a class where for three recitation periods he tries his hand at writing. Simple subjects are offered on which he may write readily. At the end of this period the English department, armed with the freshman's endeavors and the score of his intelligence test, assembles in order to sectionalize the students, not according to "bright" or "dull" (a system in effect at some institutions) but according to the quality of their composition, the kinds of errors they make, the kind of promise they show. In other words, an effort is made to group

BY KENNETH DAUGHRITY
Instructor in English

students with common difficulties in order to bring them most effectively to the standard set for the class as a whole.

TEACHING vast numbers of freshmen to write clear, correct English within the short span of two semesters is no simple matter. Prof. J. R. Rutland, '00, head of the department of English, and his associates realize that if this aim is accomplished more than the conventional procedure must be followed.

So these professors have gone about their task in earnest. At the beginning of the college year an effort is made to gather as much information as possible about each individual student. This is done by means of intelligence tests, a study of the students' high school records and a check-up of the students' present writing ability. From this information the freshmen are divided into sections with regard to their ability to write the English language. Credit for the course is given only when the student attains complete control of certain minimum essentials in writing ability.—Editor.

Once under way, at almost every hour of the day from eight o'clock to the late afternoon hours, from three to five sections of Freshman English are meeting, each striving to attain the same end, each going about it in a slightly different manner. Thus the student who wrote pretty well when he came to us is at work on the perfection of his style with a definite goal of clarity and effectiveness before him; and the student who knew little or nothing of the mechanics of writing is receiving a concentrated dose of grammar or whatever he needs to eliminate the trouble. The most delightful element of the whole situation is that the students seem to

fall in readily with the idea and often make valuable suggestions to the instructor. The primary division is not rigid, and transfers from one section to another are made, frequently at the request of the student. There are instances on record of students requesting that they be transferred to a section where a stiff grammar drill was being carried on; others have done extra work in order to equip themselves to enter a section where more advanced work was in process. Other records, harder, perhaps to believe, reveal that it is not unusual for students who have received the marginal grade for passing to request that they be allowed to repeat the course rather than move forward without a surer footing. What may be inferred from these facts? We of the English department hope it is this: that the student now knows as well as the instructor exactly why he is taking the course, and what he is expected to learn.

THE INSTRUCTOR as well as the student is nowadays examined. Uniform monthly tests are applied to all sections, thus insuring that each section has carefully covered the required work. Another check, also on the instructor, is accomplished by a trading about of papers, one instructor grading the work submitted by the class of another. Such measurements lead to careful work designed to meet a common standard and accomplished in the spirit of cooperation.

Introspection, or self-analysis, however, is perhaps the keynote of the whole idea. Mechanical devices have been invented by members of the department whereby a discouraged, bewildered student may learn for himself that his first hopeful effort returned to him blue penciled from top to bottom is really not satisfactory only because of two or three major errors each of which he committed a number of times. To correct two or three major errors is humanly possible; a blue penciled paper marked F. is highly disheartening. Encouragement is offered in individual conferences, a required routine, and invaluable as a teaching method.

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Dean Wilmore Develops Engineering School To Rank With Best in America

*As Member of Auburn Faculty Since 1888, Dean Wilmore Directed Division's Growth
From Mere Handful to Largest in Institution*

DEAN John Jenkins Wilmore came to Auburn in 1888, as an instructor in the school of mechanical arts. In 1891, he was promoted to acting director and from 1892 to 1894 he served in the capacity of director in the mechanical engineering department. He acquired his professorship in 1894 and taught in that position until 1908, when he became Dean of the Engineering School, and Head Professor of Mechanical Engineering.

Dean Wilmore was born at Winchester, Indiana, October, 1864. He received the B. M. E. degree in 1888 and the M. E. in 1891, at Purdue University. In the latter year of June 11, he married Miss Moselle Rowena Whitaker of Hephzibah, Ga.

He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineering, Society for the Promotion of Mechanical Engineering Education, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, Phi Kappa Phi, and various other honorary associations.

Dean Wilmore, being a pioneer in the Engineering School at Auburn, is largely responsible for its rapid growth. In 1898-99 the enrollment in the engineering school was 134, while in 1926-27, the enrollment totalled 816, the enrollment for the entire college that year being 1633.

Another of Dean Wilmore's steps for the advancement of Auburn was that of creating the Engineering Experiment Station. This project has proved to be of benefit to the entire nation.

Although quite congenial, Dean Wilmore is quite reserved. He does not like speaking in public, and usually declines such requests. True to that type of person, however, what he says, matters. His scant statements are full.

As is necessary to a man of his position, his work consumes almost all of

his thoughts. He even has few hobbies. The power of concentration, that his eyes suggest, is veritably portrayed in his undertakings, one of which was making the School of Engineering at Auburn what it is today.

A number of the largest companies in the United States take men from our graduating classes. The work of Auburn has been an important factor in the industrial development of Alabama.

The engineering college at Auburn has been fortunate enough to retain for a long period the same staff of loyal and efficient instructors. They have developed a marvelous college of engineering with Dean Wilmore serving as its head.

A DISTINCT step in the progressiveness of the school of engineering at Auburn is the publication of a monthly magazine, the *Auburn Engineer*, which made its initial appearance October, 1925. It is gotten out

entirely by engineering students. In a letter to the editorial staff of this publication at its beginning, Dean Wilmore said:

"Accept my sincere congratulations upon the issuing of this magazine. . . . A publication of this sort is in a position to render most valuable service, both to the college and to the Alumni, and I earnestly commend your efforts to the favorable consideration of both students and Alumni of Auburn."

"The work of the Engineering Division in the past has been, I believe, one of which students and friends of the college could well be proud. With the completion and occupation of the new Erskine Ramsay Engineering Hall and of the new laboratory and research building, I cannot but believe that we are at the opening of a new era in which the work and prestige of Auburn as an engineering college of the highest grade will receive the widest recognition. . . ."

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DEAN JOHN JENKINS WILMORE
Dean of the School of Engineering

AUBURN is a pioneer among engineering colleges, not only in the South but in the nation. It was organized as the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Alabama, later becoming the Alabama Polytechnic Institute and under this name the engineering college made rapid development.

The department of electrical engineering was established in 1891. This was followed by the departments of architecture, chemical, mechanical, architectural and highway engineering. These courses are now well established and are doing work of the highest nature. There has been a steady growth in the registration in engineering courses and at present it totals one-half of the total enrollment of the institution.

From all parts of the world students come to Auburn to fit themselves for this profession and return again to be recognized for the knowledge they have gained and the ability they possess. The graduates from Auburn receive wide recognition from industrial concerns in Alabama and in other states which employ college men.

THE MONTH ON THE CAMPUS

S.A.E. DRIBBLERS WIN

The S. A. E. fraternity, won the Inter-fraternity Council basketball championship Saturday, March 31 when they emerged with a victory in the finals over the Pi Kappa Phis by a score of 35 to 25. The tournament just closed was the third annual interfraternity basket ball tournament, and widespread interest throughout the student body and college city. The S. A. E. Dribblers won the 1926 tournament but relinquished the honor in 1927 to the Alpha Gamma Rho cagers.

The personnel of the championship aggregation were: Joe Martin, forward, Covington, Ga.; Bill Nelson, forward, Montgomery; Gordon Howell, Forward, Marshallville, Ga.; 'Maggie' McGhee, Guard, Macon, Ga.; 'Andy' Anderson, Clarkesville, Tenn.; Buddy Taylor, guard, Wetumpka; Murry Hoffman, Auburn, guard; Bob McGhee, guard, Macon, Ga.; and Frank Long, guard, Wetumpka.

HONORARY ELECTIONS

The Tau Beta Pi, national honor society for engineers, recently elected nine juniors from four engineering courses at Auburn. They are: P. M. Beard, C. D. Bradley, C. R. DeArman, W. M. Garrad, L. B. Hallman, C. E. Smith, Ludwig Smith, W. P. Smith and C. F. Walters.

Nine members of the senior class in agriculture have become members of Gamma Sigma Delta, national honorary agricultural society. They are T. D. Aldredge, J. B. Beard, E. C. Bottcher, L. G. Brackeen, J. E. Carter, J. H. Price, E. V. Smith, C. T. Thompson, and B. H. Walkley.

HORSE SHOW MAY 1

The Field Artillery division of the R. O. T. C. unit is planning to present the annual horse show May 1. Captain B. C. Anderson is in charge; he has placed orders for cups and ribbons as prizes.

Participants are training their mounts for the event. The stunts engaged in will include racing, jumping, hurdling, revised Roman riding, and other thrilling equestrian feats.



Regardless of their appearance they are really Auburn boys costumed for the annual Inter-fraternity Easter Celebration in Ag Bottom.

MONTEVALLO GIRLS SING

The Montevallo Glee Club gave a concert in Langdon Hall Saturday evening, April 14. This event was sponsored by the Auburn Glee Club. Twenty-five young ladies came to Auburn with the club.

BOHLER GIVEN WATCH

George Bohler, Auburn's newly-elected head coach, has recently received from the student body of Mississippi College a fine \$200.00 Swiss watch, as a token of their appreciation of his work in that institution. The watch was presented by the president of the student body at the recent annual stunt night performance.

The watch is a 17-jeweled chronograph split-second type, made in Switzerland and especially valuable in keeping time in athletic games. This gift was selected when it became known to the student body of Mississippi College that their mentor would resign to accept the position here.

ROGERS VISITS MICHIGAN

From the following notice in the *Michigan Alumnus*, it appears that Mr. Rogers will entertain the students and faculty of this institution as he did on his visit to Auburn March 3.

"Will Rogers, who needs no introduction to the Campus, or the world at large, for that matter, is returning to Hill Auditorium on April 2 for his annual "Fun Fest." The students are going well supplied with gum for the gum-chewing-lassoing-cowboy comedian this year.

DOCTOR DOWELL

In the April issue of the *Baptist Student*, occurred the picture of Doctor Spright Dowell, announcing him President-elect of Mercer University, Macon, Georgia.

In connection with the picture ran his message to students, which follows:

"You are 'humanity's rainbow,' the great solvent element in society. Your intelligence, training, application, and attitude are the factors that will largely determine the curve and character of your life career.

"Since no individual can attain his best unless

he works with God and has God with him, the promise of greatest usefulness and service is for those of you who give rightful place to the spirit of Christ and of religion in fashioning your education and your life."

"BILL" YOUNG HEARD

W. A. Young, '25, announcer for WAPI, Auburn, Alabama, recently received most favorable comment in the *Liberty Magazine*, under an article entitled "By Their Accent Ye Shall Know Them."

The article stated that

"Mr. W. A. Young, announcer for WAPI at Auburn, Alabama observes that the farmers are a critical radio audience and, because of this, he very carefully pitches his pronunciation to a key struck in common usage."

Mr. Young, more affectionately known as "Bill", finished at Auburn in Agriculture in 1925, with about all the honors to his credit that is possible for a student to receive. Since his graduation he has been serving the institution as radio announcer and assistant extension editor.

1928-29 OFFICERS

President next year's Senior Class, Frank DuBose; Vice-President, J. E. Carter; Secretary, J. R. Taylor; Treasurer, J. B. Merrill; Historian, C. E. Smith; Poet, Evelyn Henry; Orator, Roy Sellers; Editor Glomerata, T. S. Christopher; Bus. Manager Glomerata, Joe Ford; Art Editor, Oscar Asbell; Editor Plainsman, Ludwig Smith; Bus. Manager Plainsman, H. W. Glover.

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Important Aid From the Alumni

THE ALUMNI of a Southern denominational university were recently called upon to give especial attention to influencing high school graduates of three types to come to their alma mater, namely: (1) those of high scholarship standing, (2) those who are the sons of wealthy parents and (3) those who are outstanding athletes, especially football players. The specifying of these particular types of students was justified on the basis that the student of high scholarship standing was desirable since only the most capable students intellectually could best take advantage of the benefits of a college education; that the sons of wealthy parents would, in all probability, become wealthy alumni who in turn would aid materially in the endowment of the institution; lastly, that capable athletes would assure great athletic teams to represent the school, thereby resulting in much favorable publicity for the university.

This shows how systematically some schools are going about securing desirable students. Perhaps there is a lesson in it for us. It is evident that Auburn's scholarship rating is dependent upon our securing as students those who are intellectually strong. It is no more difficult to interest the exceedingly bright student than the one of only mediocre ability. Therefore, any Auburn man might do our Old Alma Mater a great service by getting in touch with the brightest boy in the local high school and spending some little time and effort to interest him in Auburn.

A circular letter was sent out by the same alumni association in which the recipients, where only one resided in a particular town, were asked to celebrate Alma Mater Day by taking the highest ranking high school student out to dinner in order to tell him about the old school. Even the specific suggestion was made

to take along the college annual and any other information in order to interest the prospective student.

As Auburn is a state school, perhaps we would not care to seek particularly the sons of wealthy parents, but the matter of capable athletes will apply. There are many high school graduates who are excellent athletes and many of them will go to college somewhere—why not at Auburn?

Regardless of what may be said concerning the undesirable aspects of present-day emphasis on athletics, clearly, we cannot do other than keep abreast of our contemporaries until some concerted policy is adopted by the various institutions.

A Misconception Held by Few Alumni

IT IS to be regretted that impressions are afloat among Auburn in the future. A number of Auburn enthusiasts have conceived the idea that agriculture is to receive more executive attention here with the coming of the new president. This, however, is without doubt a misconception; we are reliably informed that a representative balance shall be maintained in the affairs and development of the institution.

There should be no doubt concerning the sanity of Doctor Knapp in this regard; he is a man who recognizes and accepts issues at face value. In his recent visit to the Auburn campus, he definitely expressed his policy as one that will favor departments in their relative worth; and that he recognizes the importance of the engineering branch here, equally as vividly as that of agriculture. Not once did his expression of policy tend toward the over-development of agriculture at the expense of any other branch.

Speaking before the faculty on March 27, Doctor Knapp, touched specifically upon this point. He stated that during his years at Oklahoma A. & M., he had practically doubled the engineering force of that institution. In addition, Doctor Knapp declared himself as favoring the carrying on of elaborate engineering research at Auburn as is now done here in agriculture. For, stated Doctor Knapp, the tremendous, possible industrial development of Alabama makes such emphasis on engineering entirely logical.

President Knapp seems to have anticipated this possibility of a misconception concerning his attitude toward the development of the various departments at Auburn; consequently, he expressed himself clearly. No one who has heard him speak could retain any doubts as to the proper emphasizing of the divisions of work.

Doctor Knapp apparently possesses a wonderfully clear and adequate understanding of the correct, relative emphasis that Auburn should give engineering and agriculture in the light of Alabama's industrial and agricultural needs and possibilities. It is going to be Doctor Knapp's purpose to correlate the training and instruction at Auburn with these needs of the state. Only in so doing will Auburn adequately serve Alabama as an agricultural and mechanical college.

Another Misconception Held by Some Auburn Men

THE ABOVE suggests another misconception that exists with many alumni, namely: that agricultural courses at Auburn are being emphasized to the expense of the academic and engineering divisions. The following figures from this year's college catalogue, now in press, are worthy of notice. Of a total of 1611 students enrolled for the 1927-28 session, 640 are classed as engineering students under the head of either architectural, civil and highway, electrical or mechanical engineering; while 214 are either taking agriculture or agricultural education and 252 students are pursuing general or what might be termed as academic courses.

The equipment maintained and funds expended through Auburn by the Federal Government in operating the Extension Service and Experiment Station, is often confused as evidence that Auburn is evolving into purely an institution where nothing but agricultural courses are taught. The fallacy of such an idea is obvious if only the facts were known.

As you will agree, agriculture is important and must be emphasized at Auburn, since Alabama is largely an agricultural state; but the same is true of engineering for the state has vast industrial possibilities. Likewise architecture, education, and other sciences and the more strictly academic courses must be adequately offered at Auburn. And this proper emphasis is now being given these phases of college instruction.

A Stadium At Auburn

PRESIDENT-ELECT Bradford Knapp in speaking before alumni in Birmingham last month stated that athletic development at Auburn would probably necessitate the building of a modest stadium within the near future.

Auburn's location being over fifty miles from any of the largest cities in Alabama and situated in not the most thickly populated district of the state has caused most of the important football games to be played off the campus each year because of the difficulty of drawing an adequate attendance in Auburn. Consequently, throughout Auburn's football history only one or two games each season were ever staged on the local gridiron, financial necessity demanding that the contests be played in either Montgomery, Birmingham, Atlanta or New Orleans. The Florida and Stetson games were the only games played on the campus last fall, and for the coming season only the Clemson and Howard teams will face the Tigers at home.

Two or three results of playing the major football games away from the campus are evident. First of all it causes almost a total desertion of the campus by the students over the week-ends throughout much of the Fall when the student body follows the team to the big games. The bad effects of this are perhaps not inconsequential. Also such an arrangement demands that the Auburn team play nearly every important contest on foreign soil, which is, as you know, considerable disadvantage. Further,

playing most of the schedule off the campus, removes from the environs of the college these great tradition-making, spectacular events of the big games. These big events form a very important part of the glamour of college life. To defeat Georgia Tech on Drake Field is much better than to turn the trick in Atlanta.

With the proper system of publicity and the attraction of a winning team playing the strongest of Southern conference competition, in all probability people would come from all parts of Alabama in sufficiently large numbers to make a stadium practicable. Alabamians have been known to travel the distance of the state to see first-class football games. Why not make the attraction at Auburn, both with the type of team and facilities for seating large crowds?

Auburn Clubs are Formed

TWO TRIPS of a week each were taken this month by your secretary and Coach R. C. Brown, former alumni secretary, in Southern and Northern Alabama for the purpose of organizing local Auburn clubs. Successful organizations were effected at Mobile, Dothan, Monroeville, Bay Minette, Pensacola, Evergreen, Sheffield, Jasper, Anniston, Talladega, Hamilton, Huntsville and Gadsden.

The local club and the classes are the two groups supplying the spiritual element upon which the super-structure of a great alumni body may be built. The classes and local clubs as units are the only direct and important means of affiliation for the alumnus.

Just now emphasis is being given the local club organization though later effort will be made to encourage all class activity possible.

During these visits among the alumni, we have met many Auburn men. We wish to express our deep appreciation of the many courtesies and favors shown us everywhere. But for lack of time, we should be glad to write personal letters to everyone who so favored us. It is gratifying, indeed, to meet both the men of our own college days as well as every other alumnus.

The great amount of interest which is manifest by these Auburn men in organizing the local clubs is a vast source of encouragement to your secretary.

Never Was There A Better Time To Act Than Now

NOW is the time! With \$750,000 coming to Auburn during the next three years, with Auburn's athletic future most favorable and with a year of preliminary work already accomplished by the association, never was there a more opportune time for the complete and adequate organization of Auburn's former students.

The momentum already gained and the auspiciousness of the time should not be lost. Now is the time for the alumni to undertake a comprehensive organization that will soon equal the best.

If 500 old grads who love Auburn will drop their business and return to the campus for Alumni Day, Monday, May 21, we can put it over. Now is the time—let's do it.

ATHLETICS

BASEBALL SEASON NOW IN FULL SWING



THE PITCHING STAFF

From left to right: P. Lee, Landstreet, "Cush" Wood, Potter, Hall, McGhee, Stoutenborough.

BASEBALL at Auburn is now in full sway with bright prospects for a favorable season. Although Coach Moulton has hardly had time to bring his recruits in full form, his success in the first tilts are very pleasing. Time and better weather will afford more favorable development.

FORT BENNING

The Tigers tuned their strings on the Army boys of Fort Benning, March 23rd and 24th winning these two games with no scoring against them. Stoutenborough, sophomore from Bessemer, and Wood, a veteran pitcher, did the hurling in a creditable manner. Fielding was almost perfect. Crawford, Akin, Ellis, Smith and Wood were the heavy batters.

Auburn 7, Fort Benning 0; Auburn 11, Fort Benning 0.

MONTGOMERY LIONS

Auburn met the strong Lions from Montgomery on "A" Day, March 26, and met defeat under McGhee's rather wild pitching. A number of fielding errors were chalked against the Tigers. Their batting was comparatively poor. A number of pictures were taken before the game; we'd like to shift the ill results to that source. This was the first game of the season on the campus.

Montgomery Lions 6, Auburn 2.

SELMA

Stoutenborough all but hurled Au-

burn to victory against the strong Selma Cloverleafs. Sankey, Crawford and James played remarkable ball. Akin, Sankey and Stout were the hitters. Errors were scarce.

Selma Cloverleafs 4, Auburn 3.

TULANE

The Tulane Greenies were overwhelmed by Auburn in a couple of games played March 30-31. Potter handled the first tilt from the mound almost as a veteran, allowing Tulane only two hits. Crawford, Sankey and Smith were heavy batters, getting two safe hits each. Auburn's fielding was brilliant. This game marked the opening of the conference season for Auburn.

In the second game, played in Montgomery, cold weather blasted the smoothness of play. Lee, Auburn ace hurler, tossed through without dangerous pinches. He also led Auburn batters in this fray, getting three bingles from four tries. Ellis and F. James were heavy hitters. Fielding was quite ragged.

Auburn 6, Tulane 1; Auburn 9, Tulane 3.

CLEMSON

April 2nd and 3rd marked a battle with the Clemson squad, on the Auburn campus. Despite the errors, Auburn had little difficulty in humbling her foes. Wood pitched a good game, allowing only six wisely scattered hits.

Fielding was not exceptional, though hitting seemed to be in order. Crawford, Ellis, Smith and Gilchrist were prominent with the bat.

The second tilt ended in a draw, after being called at the end of the seventh on account of darkness. McGhee was relieved by Stoutenborough in the fifth, after allowing seven hits. F. James and Akin each hit a homer. Fielding was not exceptional.

Auburn 6, Clemson 2; Auburn 6, Clemson 6.

GEORGIA

On April 9, Auburn met the strong Georgia Bulldogs, which resulted in a called game after a long, cold and wet fight. Hitting was unsteady and errors evident, due to unfavorable weather. Wood hurled in a dependable fashion; and then wielded the willow for two safeties in two trips. Akin also batted heavy.

The second game with Georgia, scheduled for the following afternoon, April 10, was cancelled on account of rain.

Auburn 3, Georgia 3.

FLORIDA

Stoutenborough won laurels for himself and his team when he hurled to victory over the Florida 'Gators April 11. This brilliant twirling, along with the unusually heavy hitting of the Tigers resulted in a decisive victory over the only conference team to defeat Auburn last season.

The second tilt with the Gators, April 12, was another great victory for the Auburnites. The Tiger batting was spectacular, Crawford, Currie, and Smith coping highest honors. McGhee started the game on the mound, but gave way to Wood in the first stanza.

Auburn 4, Florida 1; Auburn 10, Florida 5.

FORT BENNING

Following the winning of a two-game series at the beginning of the season, the Auburn lads lost to Fort Benning in a long and somewhat loose game here on the campus April 13. We would like to contribute the loss of this game to the conspicuous day on which it was played—Friday 13.

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Coach Hutsell Chosen On Olympic Staff

Auburn's Track Coach Only Southern Mentor to Sail With American Team for Amsterdam, July 11th

AUBURN is the recipient of a signal honor in having Coach Wilbur Hutsell, track coach, selected as one of eleven track and field coaches for the 1928 American Olympic team which sails for Amsterdam on the steamer, President Roosevelt, July 11. Coach Hutsell is the only Southern mentor to be chosen for this distinctive work; he also served in this capacity in 1924.

This appointment is an indication of the rating Coach Hutsell has attained over America as a coach and instructor in track and field activities. In this respect he stands among the very best coaches in the country. His activities have conscientiously pursued this work since his graduating from the University of Missouri in 1914, and now he steps forth with the fruit of his labors—the only Southern track coach and trainer in the 1928 Olympics.

The work that Coach Hutsell has done at Auburn is quite inestimable in value. Success of Auburn track teams are the results of his efforts; Auburn has not lost a dual meet in seven years. The track teams from this institution have also placed high in every conference meet entered.

Prominent in the athletic realms as International Collegiate high hurdles champion, along with other signal honors, is "Weemie" Baskin, developed by Coach Hutsell at Auburn. Baskin will probably represent this country as a competitor in the 1928 Olympics. It is entirely fitting that such appointment come to the man who is so prominent in this field and who has done so much for Auburn. Present Auburn track star material contains Olympic possibilities, among whom are Eul Snider, Adger; Sam P. Robinson, Birmingham, and C. W. Beard, Greensboro.

COACH Wilbur Hutsell is now spending his seventh year at Auburn. He is a native of Moberly, Mo., having completed his college career at the University of Missouri in 1914. He was assistant coach at this institution for eighteen months, then track coach of the Missouri Athletic Association for an equal period of time. He became camp athletic director during the World War. After its close, he was with the Birmingham

Athletic Club for two years.

From there he came to Auburn, where he has served in the capacity of trainer, basketball coach, director of physical education, track and field coach in his seven years' sojourn



WILBUR H. HUTSELL
Track Coach

here. In each endeavor he has undertaken, Coach Hutsell has accomplished meritorious success.

As a college undergraduate, Coach Hutsell won laurels as a quarter-miler; and in addition other feats of worthy note have gone to his credit. Today he is no mean performer of gymnastics, being able to effectively demonstrate his teachings.

Definite details concerning his duties in the recent appointment have not been issued Coach Hutsell; however, he assumes that they will be somewhat similar to the 1924 program. It is customary to assign definite tasks to the different trainers. As yet these assigned tasks have not been issued.

On the ship carrying the American team to the Olympic games, an oval promenade along the deck railing is prepared with a cork running track, on which daily workouts are conducted while en route. Hurdlers and vaulters are restricted, due to the rocking of the ship, principally to gymnasium activities. Shotput and discus entrants are provided with an

area affording all form practice necessary without distance.

The trip requires nine days, during which time it is quite a task to train the entrees. Generally, various sorts of attempts to remain in good physical condition are resorted to.

THE OLYMPIC committee has decided to send a track and field squad of 90 athletes, including four men for each of the 21 events and six for the Marathon.

Olympic tryouts will be held in Boston July 6 and 7. Entrants for this meet are to be taken from winners in a number of previous sectional Olympic tryouts.

Those qualifying in the Boston meet will go to New York for a few days work prior to sailing July 11.

The American representatives will arrive in Amsterdam, July 20; the games will start July 29. The steamer, President Roosevelt of the United States Lines, has been chartered for the trip.

The American Olympic committee selected Lawson Robertson of the University of Pennsylvania as head coach of the 1928 Olympic team, and appointed ten assistant track and field coaches, the list being: John Behr, Illinois A. C.; Dean Cromwell, Southern California; Harry Hillman, Dartmouth; WILBUR HUTSELL, AUBURN; John Magee, Bowdoin; Henry F. Schulte, Nebraska; Tom Keane, Syracuse; Eddie Farrell, Harvard; Jack Ryder, Boston A. A.; Dink Templeton, Stanford.

Marion T. Bird, ex-'22, of 409 East Walnut Street, Bloomington, Ill., recently secured a graduate scholarship in mathematics as the University of Illinois, carrying a stipendium of \$300.00 and exemption from all University fees.

Mr. Bird is now completing a course in mathematics leading to a Bachelor's degree at Illinois Wesleyan University, where he had been chosen to membership in Phi Kappa Phi national scholarship fraternity.

The scholarship was granted Mr. Bird after a letter of recommendation had been furnished by Prof. C. D. Killebrew, professor of mathematics, Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

Baskin Looms Strong for Olympic Team

WEEMS O. BASKIN, Auburn's nationally known high hurdler and prominent candidate for the Olympics, is now training with the New York Athletic Club in preparation for the coming trials to be held in Boston, July 6-7. Since going to New York in January "Weemie" has added the sobriquet of national indoor champion to his already possessed cognomen of national outdoor hurdles champion. Following a colorful career on the track during three years at Auburn, Baskin won the high hurdles event at Chicago last summer during the Intercollegiate A. A.

Baskin is a product of the training of Coach Wilbur Hutsell, and from appearances the two will probably sail to Amsterdam in July with the American team.

"Weemie" is not only a track star but he is a journalist of no mean ability. He recently conceived the idea of picking up a



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BASKIN AND TWO 1924 OLYMPIC TEAM MEMBERS
Left to right: Jackson V. Scholz, world's record holder, 200 meters, Olympic champ; Weemie Baskin, A. A. U., indoor champ 70 yard high hurdle, national collegiate champion, 120 high hurdle, co-holder world record in 60 yard high; Francis Hussey, national 100 yard champion in 1925, member world's record 400 meter relay team in 1924 Olympics.

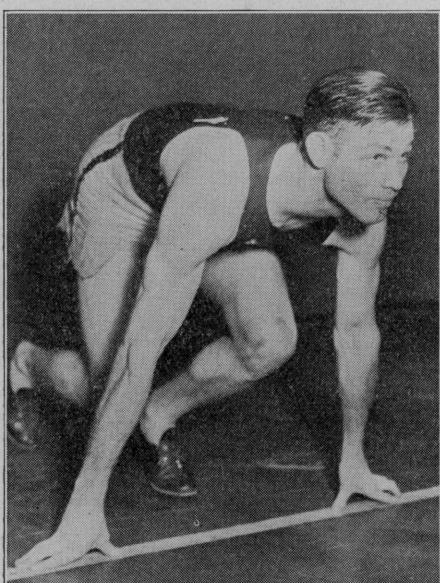
little "pen money" by writing a series of articles on various phases of the Olympics for a number of the large American dailies. Already the Birmingham News saw fit to sign up with "Weemie," for the first of the articles appeared in this paper on April 16, excerpts from which follow:

"Editor's Note—This is the first of a series of articles to be written by Weemie Baskin, national indoor and outdoor hurdles champion and a former Auburn, Ala., star. Other articles will follow. Watch for them! They will give you the South's viewpoint as well as the North's. Baskin is now a member of the New York Athletic Club."

"NEW YORK, April 14.—With the Olympics drawing near

every ambitious athlete in the country will settle down to practice during the coming week. The Olympic games will be the largest sports event to take place during the year of 1928, and it will be somewhat exclusive for those who can show the greatest skill and ability.

"At the present time the track stars in the South and on the coast are somewhat advanced in their Spring training on account of better weather facilities, and the failure to have an indoor season during the past winter. The indoor season would have relieved the trackster of the Early Spring practice. Southern California, Stanford, Los Angeles Athletic Club and other large colleges and clubs on the coast have already had several dual meets. In a discussion the other day, Charlie Paddock, who is in New York training at present, mentioned the fact that the weather had been fine on the coast and



BASKIN ON INDOOR TRACK, N. Y. CITY



WEEMS TAKING A HIGH HURDLE

the athletes were near top form now. The South opened up with the Rice and Texas relays in Houston and Austin, respectively, some three weeks ago, and since then a few dual meets have been uncovered. However, the biggest racket of the year for the Southern cinder men will be the Southern relays and the Southern Conference meet, both of which will be held in Atlanta, Ga.

"The greatest trouble with the track and field men of the entire country will be overtraining. With such great sports games to train for it is a great incentive to train hard. The training is necessary to a certain extent, but the over-anxiousness to be able to make the trip to Amsterdam is going to be the downfall of many good athletes. There is a limited number to be carried and that is a very small percentage of the boys who are working faithfully and really counting on making the trip. Four men will be carried for each position. In the past the committee and coaches have seen fit to carry a substitute, so in case some one got hurt or sick there would be a man to replace the unlucky one. But, this year that has been eliminated, because the substitutes have seldom been used, and they got the idea that they were not going to run, and therefore did not have to train very close after they left this country. That, of course, did not work because misbehavior lowered the morale of the team. With only four men making the trip for each event they are sure of being contestants and there will not be any excuse for not keeping the strictest training."

On April 14 the Associated Press carried this dispatch:

NEW YORK, April 14.—(AP)—Arriving here from the South, almost unheralded, Weems O. Baskin, of Carrollton, Ga., has earned a place among the most promising Olympic candidates by winning the national indoor high hurdles championship and tying the world's indoor record in a 60-yard test at Madison Square Garden. He is training at the New York A. C. for the Olympic trials.

The Georgia Youth was an outstanding track star in the Southern Conference for three years. He began his career at Auburn by establishing a new sectional record for high hurdles with a time of 15 2-5 seconds. Last year he captured second place in his event in the Penn Relays and won the high hurdle championships in the big National

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Southern Track Prospects

BY WILBUR H. HUTSELL
Head Coach of Track

THE twenty-two colleges and universities of the Southern Conference this year probably have a larger number of promising track men than ever before. The states composing the conference extend from Maryland to Louisiana, and, while the dual meets are sectional, the conference meet in Birmingham, and the Tech Relays should have the outstanding men from each institution in attendance.

SPRINTS—There are three outstanding sprinters—Cummings of Virginia, Snider of Alabama Poly., and Hamm of Georgia Tech. They have gone 9.8 in the hundred, and well under 22 flat in the 220; with the 21.2 record of Cummings being most outstanding. McCrary of Georgia, Chesney of Vanderbilt and Whatley of Tulane have records of 10 flat.

440 YARD DASH—There are a number of quarter milers who have been able to break fifty seconds. Blake of Vanderbilt, Kontz of Georgia Tech, Thomas and Mathews of Maryland, Snider of Alabama Poly., Robinson of Virginia and Hutchinson of V. P. I. Kontz of Tech with a record of 49 flat is probably the outstanding man in this event, placing fourth in the National Collegiates last year.

880 YARD DASH—Goss of Kentucky, winner of the 1,000 yard run at the Illinois Relays in 2:16 4-5 will be hard to beat in this event as he is capable of about 1:55. Robinson of Virginia, 1:56, and Elliott of North Carolina, 1:58 are other good men.

ONE MILE RUN—Elliot of North Carolina, conference record holder, and winner for the past two years should repeat this year. His record of 4:21.2 in 1926 was the fastest collegiate mile that year. He ran second to Conger in the National Collegiates last year, and was unofficially caught at 4:18.2. His first indoor running was done this year. In his first race, the New York A. C. Games, he was third in the mile. The next night in the Meadowbrook Games, he was second to Hahn. Young of Georgia, 4:28.6, and Wright of Georgia Tech are other good men.

TWO MILE RUN—North Carolina has a corner on this year's distance men, Henderson having done 9:38 1-5, and Pritchett, conference record holder 9:48. Luny Smith of the University of Alabama, conference winner in

1925 and 1926, has never lost a two mile race. This trio and Becton of Georgia will make the two mile a favored event this year.

120 YARD HIGH HURDLES—Flippen of Virginia with a record of 14.9 is a leader, with Pearson of North Carolina, Beard of Alabama Poly., Cooley of L. S. U. and Decker of V. M. I. possibly good enough to beat him.

220 YARD LOW HURDLES—The above men, with Avery of V. P. I. and Austin of Sewane added, will compose the list of low hurdlers.

POLE VAULT—O'Dell of Clemson is easily the best, with a record of 13-0 4-4 inches. Nash of Georgia Tech and Schoolfield of Sewanee placed in last year's conference meet and should do 16-6 this season.

HIGH JUMP—McDowall and Young of North Carolina State, O'Dell of Clemson and Martineau of Sewanee appear to be the best high jumpers. McDowall has done better than 6-2.

BROAD JUMP—Hamm of Georgia Tech, Southern Conference, Southern Relays, Penn Relays and National Collegiate champion, has a record of 24-11 3-4 made in the 1927 conference meet. It was the best intercollegiate jump of the year. O'Dell of Clemson, Beard of Alabama Poly., Kyzer of Mississippi A. & M., and Young of N. C. State are other capable men.

SHOT PUT—LeBauer of Virginia, with a record of 46 feet 8 inches, leads a group of forty-four feet men. Neson of Louisiana State, Oelkers of Tulane, Zulick of Maryland, Fussell of V. P. I., Hood of Georgia Tech and Johnson of V. M. I. should fight it out for Conference honors.

DISCUS—Lund of V. P. I. whose best is 143-9 1-2, Neson of Louisiana State with 135-10 3-4, Harper of North Carolina, 135-7, King of North Carolina State, 131, and Collier of Mississippi, 130-6, are the best men in the discus according to the records of last year.

JAVELIN—Holliday of Louisiana State won the Conference title last year with a throw of 189-2. Robinson of Alabama Poly., 186-10 1-2, Anderson of Georgia, Shell of V. P. I., Young of North Carolina State and Collier of Mississippi have already done considerably better than 180 feet.

Notes From The Classes

1892

Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. DeBardeleben and daughter, Miss Donie DeBardeleben spent Thursday and Friday in Auburn during the week of April 9. Mr. DeBardeleben, '92, was on his way to New Orleans. They were the inspiration for a number of social affairs during their stay in Auburn.

1898

John C. Abernathy, '98, is engaged in pharmaceutical business located at 140 N. Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois. His residential address is 6745 Merrill Avenue, Chicago.

1900

George Martin Illges, '00, gives his business address as 8 South Dearborn, and his residential address as 921 Galt Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

1901

Mrs. Matthew S. Sloan and Miss Liddie Sloan, wife and daughter of Matthew Scott Sloan, '01, prominent official of the Edison Company of New York City visited friends and relatives in Auburn during the week of April 9, including Mrs. George Petrie who is Mrs. Sloan's sister.

Henry A. Skeggs, '01, gives his residential address as 4655 Lake Park Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Robertson Tanner Arnold, B. S., '01, who is now living in Jacksonville, Florida, is the district governor of Rotary International, comprising the states of Georgia and Florida.

1904

W. M. Wilson, '04, gives his address as Gadsden, Alabama.

1905

R. M. McCulloh, '05, holds a position with the Essex Tire Company, 118-22 Central Avenue, Lynn, Mass.

1906

C. Felton Little, '06, prominent land owner, farmer and business man of Auburn, is president of the First National Bank of Auburn, Alabama.

W. J. McBride, '06, is head of the Air Compressor Depot Dept., General Electric Company, Lynn, Mass.

1908

Carl Barker, '08, is one of the Auburn men who holds a position with the Roxana Petroleum Corp., Shell Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

1909

H. E. Cox, 09, is the assistant general manager for the Birmingham

Electric Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

1911

Stanton S. Hertz, '11, is the general sales manager for the Copperweld Steel Company, Glassport, Pa. Mr. Hertz was a visitor on the campus, April 2.

Van F. Pruitt, B. S., in Arch., '11, is an architect, located at 342 Madison Avenue, New York City.

1912

C. N. Thibaut, '12, holds a position with the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, Atlanta, Georgia.

1914

Eugene Ewing holds a position with the Gadsden Hardware Company, Gadsden, Alabama.

1915

J. B. Galan, '15, is raising cattle and farming in Muzquiz, Coah, Mexico.

F. H. Kohloss, '15, is located at Charlotte, N. C., Box 683, and is with the U. S. Army.

Ralph W. Riddle, '15, holds a position with the McClintic-Marshall Company, 68 Devonshire Street, Boston, Mass.

Frank W. Wilmore, '15, holds a position with the Roxana Petroleum Corp., Shell Bldg., St. Louis, Mo.

1916

A. E. Elizondo, '16, is farming in Muzquiz, Coah, Mexico.

E. S. Gatchell, '16, is head of the Machine Tool Department, Moore-Handley Hardware Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

C. B. McManus, '16, holds an important position with the Georgia Power Company, Atlanta, Ga.

1917

J. A. Douglas, '17, holds a position with the Brooklyn Edison Company, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Carey Robinson, '17, who made football history at Auburn as a roving center under Mike Donahue, has been appointed as the R. S. Munger physical educational director at Birmingham-Southern. He will move his family from Anniston to Birmingham in June.

P. Avery Terrell, '17, holds a position with the Mississippi Power Company, Gulfport, Miss.

1918

Y. A. Elizondo, '18, is an instructor in the department of Mechanical Engineering, Alabama Polytechnic

Institute. He returned to Auburn from Guanajuato, Geto, Mexico, where he was doing engineering work.

J. T. French, '18, writes from Etowah County, "We have organized an Auburn club here that we believe you will be proud of, and that we are already boasting about." Mr. French holds a position in the chemical laboratory at the Gulf States Steel Company, located at Alabama City, Alabama. He is also special agent to the Premier Department of the North American Accident Insurance Company. He has been married since December 26, 1926. Mrs. French was formerly Miss Mary Elizabeth Cox of Dothan, Alabama and a graduate of Womans College, Montgomery, Ala.

L. R. Spence, '18, and his wife, Mrs. Spence were recent visitors to the Auburn campus. Their residential address is 53 Sixth Street, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia. Mr. Spence is the Georgia representative of the Decatur (Alabama) Iron Steel Company.

"Johnnie" Ward, '18, is superintendent of the Castle Heights Academy, Lebanon, Tennessee.

1919

James M. Fullan, '19, holds a position with the Office Equipment Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

1920

J. R. Gardner, Jr., '20, is teaching science in the high school in West End, Birmingham, Alabama. His local address is 402 Princeton Avenue.

R. L. Johnson, B. S. Ag. Ed., '20, is now superintendent of the Meriwether County high school at Woodbury, Georgia. Since he has been superintendent at Woodbury, the high school has been accepted as a member of the Southern Association of High Schools.

L. C. LeBron, '20, holds a position with the Hercules Powder Company, Birmingham, Ala.

J. O. Lisenby, ex-'20, received his M. D. degree from Tulane in 1921. He is now a physician in Birmingham. He was a visitor to the Auburn campus during the week of April 2.

James M. Oliver, '20, holds a position with the Georgia Power Company, Atlanta, Georgia.

Claude Sizemore, '20, holds a position with the Alabama By-Products

Company, Tarrant, Alabama. His resident address is 3130 North 11th Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama.

C. E. Wideburg, '20, is manager of the Peninsula Telephone Company, Tampa, Florida.

1921

M. R. Barker, '21, is teaching in the city schools of Birmingham, Alabama.

J. M. Brown, '21, is teaching mathematics in the high school at Fayette, Alabama.

Clyde Dunn, '21, is teaching vocational agriculture in the High School at Crossville, Alabama.

O. A. Festorazzi, '21, holds a position with C. A. Dunham Heating Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

Philip Hardie, '21, is head of the Research Department, Brooklyn Edison Company, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Edgar Keenon, Jr., '21, is principal of the elementary school in Ensley, Alabama. His local address is 1409 29th Street, Ensley, Ala.

G. G. Lamar, '21, gives his present address as Box 132, Jacksonville, Florida.

A. H. Lisenby, '21, is an optometrist located at Florence, Alabama. He is contemplating studying medicine at either Tulane or Alabama. He paid a visit to the Auburn campus during the week of April 2.

W. G. Simpson, Jr., '21, is selling insurance for the Protective Life Insurance Company, and is located at Auburn, Ala.

H. E. Williams, ex-'21, is the principal of the county high school at Russellville, Alabama.

J. J. Williams, '21, is teaching vocational agriculture in the S. S. A. S., Wetumpka, Alabama.

S. L. Wilson, '21, is teaching science in the high school located at 112 N. 66th Street, Birmingham, Alabama.

1922

J. A. Green, '22, holds a position with the American Telephone & Telegraph Company in Birmingham.

Earl Lasater, ex-'22, gives his address as 1614 Norwood Boulevard, Birmingham. The young lady in the picture is none other than Miss Nell Lasater, 18 month old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lasater.

H. D. Melton, '22, is teaching science and coaching in the high school in Atmore, Ala.



T. W. Coleman, '22, is a resident engineer for the City Water Company, Chattanooga, Tenn.

Charles Ham, ex-'22, holds a position with the Pan-Am Comapny, Gadsden, Alabama.

L. M. Hollingsworth, '22, has spent two years as a teacher of vocational agriculture after graduating and since that time has been the Lee County Agent, located in Opelika, Alabama. He has a young son 18 months old whom he is planning to send to Auburn to make the Tiger football team.

R. E. Hodnette, '22, is principal of the high school at Atmore, Alabama.

William C. Hughes, '22, holds a position with the American Cast Iron Pipe Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

J. M. Reagan, ex-'22 is superintendent of city schools at Geneva, Alabama.

Dewie Stuart, '22, is a graduate student at Cornell, specializing in Botany.

L. V. Wilder, '22, is teaching in the High School at Orrville, Alabama.

1923

J. T. Albritton, '23, is teaching science and coaching in the high school at Slocomb, Alabama. His team was among the sixteen teams invited to the Cotton States Tournament held at Auburn in February.

Leiland N. Allen, '23, is a graduate student specializing in Botany at Cornell.

J. R. Davis, '23, is teaching math in the High School at Gadsden, Alabama.

Fox Howe, ex-'23, is coaching in the Brewton High School at Brewton, Alabama.

J. L. McKinnon, '23, is second Lieutenant F. A., U. S. A., located at Schofield Barracks, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Cole Savage, '23, holds a position with the Morganton News-Herald, located at Morganton, North Carolina.

Miss Lillian Sharpley, '23, holds a position with the Cromer-Arcraft Pen Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

W. E. Simmons, '23, holds a position with the Louisiana Extension Service. His present address is Box 608, Baton Rouge, La.

C. F. Stallins, '23, holds a position with the American Telephone & Telegraph Company, Long Lines Department, Birmingham, Alabama.

W. D. Thomason, '23, is teaching science and coaching at the High School, Enterprise, Alabama.

W. S. White, '23, is teaching science and coaching at the High School, Enterprise, Alabama.

W. S. White, '23, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school in Pisgah, Alabama.

L. L. Williams, '23, is a graduate student in Cornell University, completing the requirements for the master's degree in entomology. His address is 117 Thurston Avenue, Ithaca, N. Y.

Carl Wood, '23, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school at Belgreen, Alabama.

Fred C. Williamson, '23, holds a position with American Cast Iron Pipe Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

James Cecil, "Jimbo" Tucker, age nine months, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Tucker, Auburn, Ala. His dad, Arthur Tucker, a graduate of the class of '23, owns and operates the Auburn Printing Company, where the Alumnus is printed. His mother, Mrs. Mary Tucker attended Womans College in Montgomery and Shorter College in Rome, Georgia.

W. K. Upchurch, Jr., '23, holds a position with Algernon Blair, Contractor, Montgomery, Ala.

1924

J. W. Basore, '24, is the efficiency engineer for the Birmingham Water Works Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

M. T. Bird, '24, is principal of the high school on Route 5, Bessemer, Alabama.

R. W. Cammack, '24, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school at Abbeville, Alabama.

D. M. Chambers, '24, holds a position with the Western Electric Company, Chicago, Ill.

Ross Ford, '24, is the coach at the High School in Russellville, Alabama.

E. W. Halfman, '24, gives his present address as 1053-12th Avenue, Birmingham, Alabama.

W. L. Hicks, '24, is principal of the High School at Midland City, Alabama.

Patterson Hicks, '24, is principal of the High School at Florala, Alabama.

W. K. Mosley, '24, is located with the Southern Bell Telephone Company, Knoxville, Tenn.

Sam Morgan, '24, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school at Honoraville, Alabama.

W. W. Pate, '24, holds a position in the Research Department, Tela

Railroad Company, Tela, Honduras.

A. J. "Big Boy" Roberts, '24, holds a position with the Georgia Power Company, Atlanta, Georgia.

W. E. Sewell, '24, is completing the requirements for the doctor's degree at Iowa State College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Ames, Iowa.

Olin V. Smith, '24, is a pharmacist, located at Gadsden, Alabama.

P. S. Timberlake and W. M. McCutcheon, both graduates of '24, are holding positions with the Birmingham Electric Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

1925

R. A. Betts, '25, is an instructor in electrical engineering department of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute. He was formerly with Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company in Pittsburgh.

J. B. Brassel, '25, holds a position with the State Agricultural and Industrial Department, Montgomery, Alabama.

J. C. Clem, '25, holds a position with the Interstate Electric Company, New Orleans, La.

Hubert S. Drake, '25, is a salesman with the Montgomery Real estate Company, Montgomery Ala.

A. T. East, '25, is principal of the High School at Crossville, Alabama.

F. W. Gant, '25, is teaching vocational agriculture in the High School at Eclectic, Alabama.

B. H. Ford, '25, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school at Berry, Alabama.

W. E. Glenn, '25, is teaching math at Birmingham - Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama. "Doc" attended Emory after leaving Auburn and received the M. S. degree in education while there. His wife was an Auburn student, Beatrice Norris, ex-'25. W. E. Glenn, Jr., shown in the picture above is their son. His daddy writes that "he is a future Auburn man and can yell 'War Eagle' and 'Eat 'Em Up Tiger' in fine fashion right now."

J. I. Greenhill, '25, holds a position with the Southern Bell Telephone Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

R. L. Lock, '25, holds a position with the Long Lines Department of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

Wm. Douglas McLaren, '25, holds a position with the General Electric Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

George H. Mandy, '25, gives his residential address as Route 8, Shades Mountain, Birmingham. His wife is an Auburn girl, Lulie Gamble, ex-'25. The picture shown here is Edward Franklin, "Buddy," a young son of Mr. and Mrs. Mandy, made when he was eight months old. "Buddy" is now 18 months old.



Felton Mullins, '25, is teaching vocational agriculture in the Fairfield school in Cullman, Alabama.

P. S. Owen, '25, is teaching math in the high school at Bessemer, Alabama. His local address is 435 Bryant Street, Bessemer, Alabama.

S. Dean Peterson, '25, is the football coach at Central High School, Chattanooga, Tenn.

R. L. Reeder, '25, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school at Phil Campbell, Alabama.

J. H. Reeves, Jr., '25, holds a position with the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, Birmingham, Ala.

A. Clyde Robinson, ex-'25, is located with the Nelson Real Estate & Investment Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

Warren T. Savage, '25, is a salesman for the Jenkins-Clay Products Company, Montgomery, Ala.

Miss Jimmie Lee Smith, '25, is teaching home economics in the High School at Fort Payne, Alabama.

R. Fitzhugh Smith, ex-'25, holds a position in the engineering department, Alabama Power Company, Montgomery, Alabama.

E. L. Tucker, ex-'25, is editor and owner of the Thomasville Times, located at Thomasville, Alabama.

Miss Eldora Turnham, '25, is teaching home economics in the high school located on Star Route, Ensley, Alabama.



1926

L. L. Aldredge, '26, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school on Route 5, Bessemer, Alabama.

Anamerle Arant, '26, is located at Rockford, Alabama.

Joseph P. Bailey, ex-'26, gives his present address as 439 Taft Boulevard, San Antonio, Texas.

Ed Ball, '26, holds a position with the Associated Press, located in the Journal Building, Montgomery, Alabama.

C. B. Burgoyne, '26, is selling Huber Stokers for Flynn and Emrick Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

E. C. Cross, '26, gives his address as Box 36, Gadsden, Alabama.

J. M. Feagin, ex-'26, gives his address as Pineapple, Alabama.

C. V. Ingram, '26, holds a position with the First National Bank, Opelika, Ala.

J. M. Jenkins, '26, is teaching math and coaching at the county high school, Florala, Alabama.

F. P. Jones, '26, holds a position with the C. A. Dunham Heating Company, Jacksonville, Florida.

A. T. Kendrick, '26, is with the Dixie Construction Company, Tallassesee, Alabama.

C. U. LeCroy, '26, is located at Eclectic, Alabama.

Elta Majors, '26, is teaching home economics in the high school at Atmore, Alabama.

Wm. J. McKinney, '26, holds a position with the American Blower Company, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

S. R. Morris, '26, B. S. in Agriculture, is located at Post, Texas.

W. G. O'Brien, '26, is teaching history and coaching at the high school located at Crossville, Alabama.

W. L. Randolph, '26, holds a position with the Progressive Farmer, located in Birmingham, Alabama.

M. B. Smith, '26, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school at Glencoe, Alabama.

R. A. Stevens, '26, gives his present address as Leeds, S. C.

Henry T. Wingate, '26, holds a position with the U. S. Department of Agriculture and is located at P. O. Box 303, Dothan, Alabama.

O. F. Wise, '26, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school at Wedowee, Alabama.

1927

J. P. Atherton, B. S., '27, holds a position with the Eugene B. Smith Company, cotton brokers, Quanah, Texas.

H. A. Bess, '27, is teaching vocational agriculture at Leighton, Alabama in Colbert county.

Frances Blackman, '27, is teaching math in the high school at Atmore, Alabama.

M. H. Bryant, '27, is teaching science and math in the high school at Empire, Alabama, Route 5.

Royce Crawford, B. S., '27, holds a position with the Birmingham Water Works, Birmingham, Ala.

G. C. Ellis, '27, is located at 4215 Fourth Avenue, South, Birmingham, Ala.

Walter Fisk, B. S., '27, holds a position with the Brooklyn Edison Company, Brooklyn, N. Y.

S. W. Harbin, B. E. Higgins, and J. V. Leslie, all graduates of '27,

hold positions with the Highway Department, Montgomery, Ala.

Norman W. Harris, B. S., '27, is working with the Brooklyn Edison Company, Brooklyn, N. Y.

J. A. Harman, '27, is principal of the High School at Weogufka, Alabama. Rowe Johnson, '27, is teaching vocational agriculture in the same school.

Allye Hughes, '27, is teaching in the high school at Alexander City, Alabama.

Forney H. Ingram, '27, is an instructor in Machine Design at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

T. H. Jackson, ex-'27, gives his present address as Autaugaville, Alabama.

Walter O. Crawley, '27, gives his present address as Box 222, Troy, Alabama.

J. V. Johnson, B. S., '27, is a demonstrator and salesman for the International Harvester Company of America, located in Birmingham, Alabama. His territory is Alabama.

R. E. Johnson, '27, holds a position with the Dixie Construction Company, Tallassee, Alabama.

J. P. Johnson, B. S., '27, is working with the Factory Supply Company, Birmingham, Alabama.

I. L. Knox, '27, holds a position with the Alabama Power Company.

Miss Margaret Lane, '27, is teaching in the high school located at 1311 18th Avenue, South, Birmingham, Alabama.

Fred B. Ledbetter, '27, is an instructor in the architectural department at the Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

S. R. Long, '27, is teaching in the high school at Wadley, Alabama.

S. D. Lowe, '27, is teaching vocational agriculture in the high school at Slocomb, Alabama.

J. A. Lunceford, '27, is principal of the high school on Route 1, Gadsden, Alabama.

W. H. McDaniel, '27, County Superintendent of Education in Autauga county, located at Prattville, Alabama.

Joe Market, ex-'27, is teaching history and coaching in the high school at Gadsden, Alabama.

Neida Martin, '27, is teaching vocational home economics at Wetumpka, Alabama.

Sam B. Murphree, '27, is assistant contractor on sidewalk and street pavement in Demopolis, Alabama.

Jack Nelms, '27, gives his present address as 6431 Sloss Ave., Birmingham, Ala.

W. H. H. Putnam, B. S., '27, holds a position with the Birmingham Water Works, Birmingham, Ala.

IN MEMORIAM

THOMAS W. MORGAN, '04

Thomas W. Morgan, '04, president of the East Pratt Coal Company, died Friday, April 6, at the residence, 2812 Fairview Circle, Birmingham, following an illness of several months.

Mr. Morgan was born in Birmingham in 1884, the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Morgan. He graduated from the engineering school of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute in 1904, going directly into the coal mining business.

Much of his time was devoted to civic and fraternal work. He was a member of the Shriners Club of the Masonic order, and a past exalted ruler of B. P. O. Elks, No. 79. He was especially interested in the charity work sponsored by the Elks organization, and was one of the organizers of its branch of Boy Scout work.

Surviving are the widow, who was Miss Ella Burger, of Farmville, Va.; two sons, Thomas W., Jr., and Robert Burger Morgan; five daughters, Misses Mary Ruth, Virginia, Caroline, Margaret and Cecil Morgan; the mother, Mrs. J. T. Morgan, of Birmingham; a brother, Eugene Morgan, of Birmingham, and two sisters, Miss Lucile Morgan, of Birmingham, and Mrs. Joe Franklin, of Holt, Ala.

CHARLES WILLIAM POWELL

Charles William Powell, 66, father of Prof. P. P. Powell, associate professor of chemistry at Auburn, died on February 14th following a prolonged illness of more than a year and a half. Mr. Powell was living with his son at the time of his death having come to Auburn over a year ago. Funeral services were held from the home of Professor Powell Tuesday at 3:00 o'clock after which Professor and Mrs. Powell and Miss Elizabeth Powell accompanied the remains to Yantley, Ala., where the funeral was held.

Mr. Powell is survived by three sons and one daughter, Dr. J. S. Powell, Ft. Worth, Texas, Leon Powell, Atlanta, Prof. P. P. Powell and Miss Elizabeth Powell of Auburn.

Mr. Powell was a member of the Baptist church. Yantley was his old home.

CHARLES M. STRONG

Charles M. Strong, associate professor in the commerce department of the University of Georgia, and form-

er Auburn professor, died unexpectedly at his apartment in Athens late Saturday, April 7.

Mr. Strong, who was a graduate of the University of Missouri, had been connected with the university here two years, going there from Auburn where he held a similar position. He had also taught at Washington State University and Boston University.

WEDDINGS AND ENGAGEMENTS

1923

A. D. Staples, '23, assistant in chemistry research for Dr. E. R. Miller was married Sunday morning, April 1, to Miss Margaret Edwards, of Auburn, Alabama, with the Rev. E. D. Burnworth, methodist pastor officiating. They will be at home to their friends at the residence of Doctor Miller in Auburn.

1928

R. O. Armstrong, who will receive his B. S. degree in May, '28, was married to Miss Georgia Chambers of Mobile on March 28, when the two were on the way to attend the Alabama Education Association in Birmingham.

Engagement 1922

The following announcement appeared in a recent issue of the Age-Herald: Mellen-Seale—Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Franklin Seale of Livingston, Ala., announce the engagement of their daughter, Frances Davidson, to William Tartt Mellen. The wedding will take place in the early spring. Mr. Mellen is a graduate of the class of '22.

1920

Dr. Lester L. English, '20, of Ensley, Alabama was married to Miss Ruth Elizabeth Vance of Urbana, Illinois, on March 31.

YOUNG, '10, PILOTS GIRLS MISS. CHAMPIONSHIP

A. L. Young, '10, professor of education in the Delta State Teachers College, Cleveland, Mississippi has piloted the girls' basketball team of that institution through an exceedingly successful season; his team won the state championship of Mississippi, and was runner-up in the Mississippi Valley Conference Tournament.

Mr. Young graduated from Auburn in 1910 taking the electrical engineering course and later did graduate work at Peabody University. His coaching is done in addition to his regular teaching duties.

\$200. IN PRIZES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

The Commission in Interracial Cooperation is offering three cash prizes aggregating two hundred dollars for the best papers on the subjects of Race Relations, submitted by students of Southern colleges during the present school year.

Contestants will be free to choose any phase of the subject, but other things being equal, preference will be given to practical discussions of prevalent conditions and attitudes, with suggestions for their improvement.

BOTEGHA CLUB EXHIBITS IN BIRMINGHAM

The Botegha Art Club of Birmingham recently exhibited an exceedingly attractive display of architectural drawings in the art gallery of the Public Library. Every drawing in this exhibit was made by a member of Botegha, approximately twenty-four members being represented and one hundred drawing beings in evidence.

Botegha was founded at Auburn in 1920. After three years of work in the architectural school at Auburn, a student is eligible for candidacy to Botegha provided he has a general average of eighty in all his subjects prior to his junior year. General popularity, personality and character are also considered in electing the candidates.

The Birmingham Alumni Chapter of Botegha was organized about a year and a half ago, and the present membership consists of ten active members and a number of honorary ones.

Make your plans to attend the Alumni Meeting at Commencement, May 21. Important issues will be decided by the association at that time.

MRS. BARRS, CHILDREN VISITORS

Mrs. A. E. Barrs, Betty and Albert, Jr., wife and children of Major A. E. Barrs, former commandant at Auburn during the S. A. T. C. days, were prominent visitors of friends and relatives on the Auburn campus during the week of April 9. Major Barrs was on his way to New York City from Jacksonville, Florida, their home at the present time.

Are you sure the alumni office has your correct address? If not, send it in. A complete file of all Auburn men is being compiled. Within the near future we hope to publish an up-to-date, complete alumni register.

Letters From Alumni

FROM A. E. LLOYD, '26

"Please accept the attached check as payment of Alumni dues for my brother, T. W. Lloyd, '07, of Marianna, Florida, and for myself. I trust we will not be too late to be entered on the mailing list for the next copy of the Alumni Magazine, which I understand comes out the first of next month. Managed to secure a copy of the last number and enjoyed it thoroughly.

I plan to visit Auburn in the near future and would appreciate it if you could supply me with a copy of the baseball schedule so that I can arrange to be there for one or two of the games.

Cordially yours."

407 City Hall,
Birmingham, Ala.
March 22, 1928.

FROM J. R. DAVIS, '23

At our meeting last night, we adopted a constitution and by-laws for our local club. The president will send you a copy. We are planning to enroll every alumnus and get things started in a good way.

Sincerely yours.

Gadsden High School,
Gadsden, Alabama.
March 24, 1928.

COX, GRADUATE OF '83 VISITS AUBURN

Dr. William Stakeley Cox, '83, was a recent visitor on the Auburn campus and was much surprised at the progress that has been made since he was a student. Being one of Auburn's early graduates he has always shown great interest in the school and its welfare. Dr. Cox received his B. S. degree in 1883 here and a B. A. degree at Cornell in 1886.

He is the founder of Cox's college at College Park, Ga., and was president of that institution for many years.

A number of years ago, Dr. Cox gave a medal annually to the winner of an oratorical contest between representatives of Auburn and other Alabama Colleges. He was listed in Who's Who thirty years ago.

Keep the Alumnus on your mailing list and give us any information that would interest Auburn men. This would include outstanding achievements, honors, changes of address, news of marriages, births or deaths among the alumni everywhere.

PRESIDENT-ELECT KNAPP

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and achievement. It is to be hoped that the student body and alumni will lend their time and energy to the work of the new era which we are about to enter.

IN TALKING before Birmingham alumni at a banquet given by Walter Henley, Dr. Knapp had this to say:

"The program at Auburn is an attractive one because it is varied. It includes not only agriculture but engineering, chemistry and other physical sciences, pharmacy, home economics and education.

"Man comes to love that which he serves; I shall serve Auburn with all my heart, my energy and everything else with which I am endowed.

"My fellow Auburn men, I think you realize the occasion is one of great importance and you may imagine my feeling, coming as a stranger among you. Students of Auburn and other land grant colleges have made the greatest contribution to the upbuilding of America.

"Auburn must build upon the things that have been done at Auburn. Auburn is in the center of an area whose development and growth is just beginning and we must dream of the coming new era.

"I dream of a great institution where our laboratories will be so equipped and enlarged that we will draw graduates from all colleges to take post-graduate work in scientific research.

"No man could approach the job at Auburn without a great deal of study and absorbment. I love work and I like to have a good time. I have thoroughly enjoyed life and want to continue to enjoy it. My joy has been found in my family, my work and the happiness I may give to the world. A man does not grow old if he has the courage to tackle new jobs occasionally and I feel that I am growing younger.

"No one can make Auburn great, but the faculty, the students and the alumni must help. Come down to the college, discuss the work and offer any new ideas and I will always listen with a smile, but when a decision is finally made let's go to work as a team. Some plans are already under way and your help is needed in expanding the departments and realizing the vision of a greater Auburn. Renew the problems of your youth, dream dreams and remember that nothing is done without work.

"I am glad to be in a great state, to serve, confer, plan and help execute that which I hope will bring

new institution of democracy where one may rise in any profession to the top as they have done in the past. Let us add and multiply to this plan."

AUBURN students greeted the new executive with exceeding cordiality. A warmer campus reception could scarcely have been manifested. The student weekly paper, "The Plainsman," affords a representative view of the student body concerning Dr. Knapp:

"Auburn's new executive has just been with us. He received greetings of welcome from the student body as cordial as is possible for a group of students to bestow. His appearance at the opening baseball game on the campus was unusually attended and supported by students. His speech at convocation Tuesday was given a wide ovation. In all his contacts with students he was given a glad welcome and a hearty supporting hand. This, as we have already indicated, is a plain, sincere confession of the attitude of Auburn students. We glory in this frankness.

Our new executive is being measured critically by the students. Although his personal attributes and finer whims are not yet commonly known on the campus, he stands out as one commanding a policy that will claim the respect and admiration of the leading majority. Dr. Knapp has already placed himself favorably in the mind of the student body.

There exists no doubt concerning the fitness of Dr. Knapp for the position he is to hold. He is unquestionably a man of power and of influence. His Christian staunch character, of sound executive ideals are sound and applicable. In fact, he is all we might reasonably expect of the man that is to be our leader."

WHILE in Auburn, Dr. Knapp spent much time in conference with Dr. Dowell and appeared before the faculty, students, civic organizations of Auburn and Opelika and before the local chapter of the Auburn alumni. He also spoke before the Montgomery and Birmingham chapters of the alumni.

President Dowell and the people of Auburn spared no pains in making Dr. Knapp's visit one of the utmost pleasure and profit to him in laying the first plans for his program at Auburn during the coming year.

Arriving in Auburn Sunday morning, March 25, Dr. Knapp attended the Presbyterian church, of which he is a member, and for dinner he was the guest of President and Mrs. Dowell. For the evening meal he was

FROSH BASEBALL TEAM EVIDENCES MUCH STRENGTH

Coach "Red" Brown's Frosh baseballers are showing good form, having won their first tilt 10 to 1 with the Birmingham-Southern Rats on March 31. Indications are that the squad will experience a very successful season. Coach Brown states that the prospects look brighter to him now than at any time since he began coaching at Auburn.

Those playing in the Birmingham-Southern game were: Harris, cf; Potter 2b, DeRamus, rf; Pate, ss; Newton, 1b; Brown, 3b; Dreaden, c; Tucker, c; Behrman, c; Ross, lf; Carter, p; Harkins, p; Winn, p. Other favorable enthusiasts trying out are: Trammell, c; Chappell, 2b; Champion, lf; with still others in the offing.

FRESHMAN SCHEDULE

March 31—Birmingham-Southern Rats at Auburn.

April 20—Birmingham - Southern Rats at Birmingham.

April 21—Tech Rats at Auburn.

May 7-8—Howard Rats at Auburn.

April 27-28—Marion at Auburn.

May 718—Howard Rats at Auburn.

the guest of Miss Zoe Dobbs, dean of women, and the co-eds at Smith Hall.

Dr. Knapp spent a busy day the following Monday conferring with heads of the college departments. He addressed the Kiwanis luncheon at noon, was the honor guest of fraternity brothers of Kappa Alpha in the early evening, and later attended the "A" club dance in the Alumni Gymnasium.

He addressed the students at a special call convocation Tuesday morning, after which he was the guest and principal speaker at the Opelika Rotary Club. At 4 p. m. he was presented by Dr. Dowell to college faculty assembled in the president's office.

For dinner Dr. Knapp was the guest of the faculty Executive Council at Smith Hall, after which an informal reception was given by the local chapter of Auburn alumni.

Wednesday, March 28, Dr. Knapp was the guest of honor at the Lions and Rotary club luncheon.

Following his visit to Auburn, Dr. Knapp appeared before Auburn alumni and friends in Montgomery on Wednesday evening, and on the following evening he spoke to Auburn alumni at a banquet given by Walter Henley, president of the Jefferson County Auburn Alumni in the ballroom of the Hotel Tutwiler in Birmingham. During the A. E. A.

SIR WILFRED GRENFELL

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thing that might be for the good of his people.

Doctor Grenfell was married to Miss Ann McLanahan of Chicago in November, 1909. Mrs. Grenfell took up the work of her husband, and has been accompanying him as an invaluable aid ever since. Even with a family of three children and household duties, she continues to devote her major time to the Doctor's work.

Just last summer, at the dedication of the new hospital in St. Anthony, he was made a Knight Commander of St. Michael and St. George, in the name of King George, by the Governor of Newfoundland. And now it is Sir Wilfred and Lady Grenfell.

Life itself has been the best reward for his services, states Sir Wilfred. He says he has always thought that the Good Samaritan went across the road to the wounded man just because he wanted to; and for this same reason he went to Labrador. He has enjoyed his life there, he states, and believes it could not have been fuller elsewhere.

To enumerate the benefits of Sir Wilfred Grenfell is a thing not to be accomplished. In fact, it is all but impossible to imagine the extent of his endeavors. This man is truly a wonder—a distinct boon to humanity—a perfect example of life given to the welfare of others.

meeting there he was presented to the educational forces of the state.

"No one need expect a revolution at Auburn," said Dr. Knapp, emphasizing his intention to institute no radical change when he takes over the administration on the first of July.

Dr. Knapp stressed his desire to build on that which already had been found worthwhile at Auburn, formulating a plan which would not involve the destruction of what has been built up and accomplished in the past.

IN REGARD to the policy of the program Dr. Knapp will adopt for Auburn regarding the development of the various departments of the college editorial opinion is again active. The following clippings give his position in this regard.

The Plainsman—"If there has existed in the thoughts of a single Alabamian the idea that Dr. Bradford Knapp, the new president-elect of the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, might in the discharge of his new duties at Auburn push any one function of the institution ahead of another, that

idea might as well be dismissed from the mind. Dr. Knapp is not a lopsided individual nor does he possess a one-groove mind. His recent declarations in this state should convince all that he will come to Auburn recognizing in the fullest the importance of each and every department of the college.

"The new head of Alabama Polytechnic has made a great impression on Auburn men all over the state. Unknown to the average citizen, friend and supporter of the great college he is soon to head, this educator has taken the people in his confidence. He has handled in a masterful fashion a most delicate subject."

The Alabama Journal—"In his recent discussion of attitude towards the position Auburn should occupy in the life of Alabama, the new president, Dr. Bradford Knapp, shows a very enlightened and constructive view. Although himself prominently identified for many years with agriculture, Dr. Knapp has apparently not permitted his intellect to become one-sided or distorted. On the contrary, he seems to have kept agriculture's perspective as only one facet in the multi-various factors that comprise our modern civilization and prosperity. This is the proper endowment for the head of a polytechnic institute, for the very prefix, "poly" shows that such an institution must be many sided."

BACK OF THE MAN who is soon to take command at Auburn stands a personage equally as impressive, we dare say, in her realm. This person is none other than his illustrious, lovable wife, affectionately known as "Mother" Knapp to the 3,000 students at Oklahoma A. & M.

In his successful career, she has undoubtedly played a vital and important part. Although little has been said of her, she commands a just share of the cordial welcome with which alumni, students and faculty welcome them to Auburn.

No doubt "Mother" Knapp will become equally as popular on the Auburn campus as she is at Stillwater.

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FRESHMAN ENGLISH

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Perhaps it is not inopportune to remind the alumnus who has read thus far that in his day the responsibility for coaching orations, declamations, debates, plays, et cetera rested with the English department. Today, it still does. Four literary societies are in active existence; a newly formed forensic council is making ambitious strides; two new student publications have passed through the preliminary stages prefatory to their birth; all are more or less sponsored by members of the English department.

In order to carry on this wide work most satisfactory, the English department is asking, and, in most instances, getting, certain assistance. It is hoping that in the near future enough competent instructors may be employed to reduce the number of students in each section to a reasonable number. It is making a definite appeal to other departments, and to the college as a whole, to co-operate more closely in stimulating students to express themselves at all time more clearly, more correctly, more effectively. The department feels that there is something desirable in furnishing Auburn men with the dignity of ready intellectual ability which lies within the individual himself rather than that which comes from the trained impulses of ten, eight, or four other men associated with him. It feels that above all its greatest aim is to assist the Auburn man in his mastery of the greatest of gifts—that of human understanding.

WEEMS O. BASKIN

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Collegiate A. A. meet at Chicago in the time of 14.9 seconds. He played end on the Auburn football team.

Wilbur Hutsell, former University of Missouri star, coached Baskin and saw his man amass 235 points during the three years. Just prior to the hurdler's departure for New York his home town held a "Baskin Day," during which he was presented with a handsome trophy.

MAJ. KENNEDY AWARDED CONGRESSIONAL MEDAL

Major John T. Kennedy, head professor of Military science and tactics, at Auburn, is one of the eighteen now active men in the army to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor awarded for exceptional valor during the World War. Only 90 of these medals were issued members of the United States Army.

HAZING DISCUSSED

For years the practice of hazing Rats at Auburn has been sustained. This act has been regarded a traditional necessity in the process of education at this institution. Rat rules have been issued Freshmen at registration in September; and they have been warned strictly about the observance of these regulations. Any breech was taken up by a vigilance committee, an absolute terror term to Rats.

Every former Auburn graduate is aware of activities of this nature as they were when he came to Auburn. But changes are being ushered in by the times. Revolutions are breaking forth in the minds of a few, as is characterized by the following statements, which appeared under the name of Jupiter J. Pluvious (an Auburn student) in a regular "Meditations" column in the *Plainsman*.

Traditions: Hokum

"We must do this, it's a tradition here." "We can't do that, it's a tradition here not to do it." Far too often do we hear such statements, and the lamentable part is that we abide by them. Especially in colleges, where reason is supposed to be developed and dogma condemned, we constantly refuse to break away from innumerable customs, excusing our actions on the grounds that we must respect "cherished traditions."

To be more specific, we are told that we should continue to haze first-year men because everyone else who has attended Auburn has hazed them; that it is a tradition here, and that old customs should not be changed. Passing over many reasons for the abolition of hazing which are obvious, the mere fact that it is a tradition is one of the best reasons to abolish it that I know.

The present system of "Freshman Rules" is a failure. That is not a moot point. Less stringent systems have been tried by other schools and have failed. The old system, hazing going under its own name, is quite apropos for some savage South Sea Island tribe, where men differ from other animals only in their method of walking. The logical course is to face the question squarely and abolish hazing and all class distinctions.

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BASEBALL

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Hits and runs were plentiful, each team registering ten safe bingles. Landstreet, Potter and Lee, Auburn twirlers, each saw service on the mound in this fray. Akin and F. James hit a homer each. Currie and Crawford were hitters also.

Rain prevented the second tilt, which was booked for Saturday afternoon, April 14.

Fort Benning 12, Auburn 11.

GEORGIA TECH

There isn't much to say individually concerning the first campus game against Tech April 17. Apparently every Auburn man was hitting, totaling 17 safe hits and retiring three Tech pitchers. Wood handled the Techsters nobly from the mound. Crawford was spectacular at fielding. A spectator remarked after the game that he hoped he wouldn't be bribed into attending another track meet announced as a baseball game!

Tables turned! Auburn met her first conference defeat at the hands of Georgia Tech April 18, when the results of the previous day were reversed. Stoutenborough fell before the battering of the visitors being relieved by P. Lee. Hitting was slack with the Tigers; however Crawford was successful in clouting a homer to add to his batting laurels. Tech seemed to have the form she lacked the day before.

Auburn 15, Tech 4; Tech 11, Auburn 2.

TRACK STARS ATTEND TEXAS RELAYS

Auburn's track team recently participated in the Texas and Rice Relays, returning to Auburn with one first place, a second, a third, a fourth, and two fifths.

In view of the fact that only Snider, Beard and Robinson made the trip, competing against some of the best athletes in the South, their record is quite commendable.

TEXAS RELAYS

The Texas relays were held in Austin March 23. In this meet, Captain Snider won his 100 yard heat in 10 flat. He placed fifth in the final, the winner tying Paddock's world record of 9.5 seconds.

Beard tumbled in high hurdles, but placed fifth in the broad jump, setting a new Auburn record of 22 feet, 5 1-2 inches. The winner went 24 feet 6 4-8 inches.

Robinson placed second with the javelin, hurling it 186 feet, 10 1-2 inches for a new Auburn record. The winner hurled 191 feet.

RICE RELAYS

The Rice Relays were held in Houston at Rice Institute. Captain Snider was third in the 100 yard dash; the winner ran in 9.8 seconds. Beard ranked third in the broad jump. Robinson conquered his victor of the previous meet to win the javelin throw with a mark of 184 feet, 6 inches. No hurdle events were engaged in.

PROMINENT EDITOR SPEAKS

James Speed, editor of the Southern Agriculturist, Louisville, Ky., spent a week in Alabama recently in conference with officials of Alabama Polytechnic Institute, addressing the students here and the teachers in the English department at the A. E. A. in Birmingham. His talks were among the most entertaining to be delivered on the campus this year.

Stearn Addresses Engineers

STUDENTS ARE TOLD OF FUTURE SCIENCE

THE BEST thing you can do after finishing college is to forget the rules and laws that you have learned, for they will not do you any good. College can only teach you how to think and this ability is the only thing you can get from your college course. Your college course will not be a handicap to you if too much reliance is not placed in it.

This was the statement of Percival Stern, president of the Interstate Electric Company, New Orleans, who spoke to Auburn students recently in convocation and at various classes. Mr. Stern also spoke before the Rotary club at luncheon where he addressed his remarks to the problem of distribution which he says is the greatest dilemma now facing the business world.

Before an engineering class in Ramsay Hall, Mr. Stern conducted an informal discussion in which he allowed various students to ask questions regarding the development of the many phases of electrical engineering.

Mr. Stern believes that in the near future mechanical servants will be invented that may be conducted by wireless and directed from a distance to carry on the various types of labor in any household. While one is away from home about his business or elsewhere, Mr. Stern says it will be possible to direct the movements of the

AUBURN NEEDS PAVED ROADS AND AIRPORT, SAYS KNAPP

Concrete highways, making Auburn easily accessible to every section of the state, and an airplane landing field, placing Auburn on the direct airmail route from New York to New Orleans, are two paramount needs of Auburn right now, said President-elect Bradford Knapp in speaking before the Rotary club on April 26.

The paved roads, he said, would benefit the town as well as the college for large crowds of people would then gather here for the various instructional benefits of the college other than student instruction. The airport would place Auburn among the most progressive towns and it would be a desirable adjunct to the Auburn Engineering School in developing aeronautical courses.

Also paved highways would make a stadium practicable at Auburn.

radio "iron man" by means of an apparatus that will probably not weigh over two pounds. This, he believes, can be accomplished by means of transmitting radio waves of various lengths that will produce the necessary energy in the mechanical servant.

Already, says Mr. Stern, power may be transmitted by radio, though he does not believe a fuelless motor is possible. The main difficulty now in transmitting energy by radio is that the energy may be seized upon and used by motors other than the one intended. Airplanes directed by wireless have already been demonstrated. In fact bombs have been dropped from a wireless conducted airplane in which there was no human pilot, with an accuracy of about five per cent. Of the 65 bombs dropped one struck the target and five landed near enough to do damage. Also the United States Government has in its service at the present time electrically sighted and operated guns.

In speaking of the destructiveness of certain electric waves that have been found Mr. Stearn pointed out that recently one type was discovered that was capable of wiping the entire human race off the face of the earth. However, because of its dangerousness, its development was abandoned, and in fact, many inventions are killed because of the great possible destructiveness to the human race.

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J. V. Brown, Executive Secretary
Auburn Alumni Association
Auburn, Alabama

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